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MAY

# Adventure COMICS

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# *C'mon—* **BOYS·GIRLS** **MEN·WOMEN** PICK YOUR PRIZE

THESE PRIZES ARE GIVEN TO YOU—Just send for 28 packets of easy selling Garden Spot Seeds which you can easily and quickly sell to your friends and neighbors at 10c each. Return the \$2.80 collected and select your Prize in accordance to our offers. **SEND NO MONEY—WE TRUST YOU.**

## **22 Piece TABLEWARE SET**



6 Knives, 4 Forks, 6 Teaspoons, Butter Knife, Sugar Shell **GIVEN** for selling only one order.

## **Good Luck FISHING OUTFIT**



Steel rod, reel, casting line 12 anelled hooks, 12 lead sinker, cork float and stringer. **Sell only one order.**

## **Household CLOCK**

Can be used anywhere Richly finished in two tone effect 30 hour movement **Dispose of only 1 order and Clock is yours. WRITE TODAY**

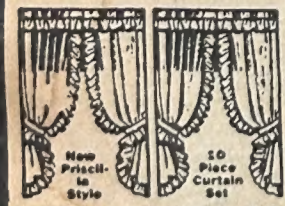


## **Real Live CANARY**



What a pet! You will love it. Canary and Cage both given for selling only two orders. **WRITE TODAY**

## **10 Piece Priscilla Curtain Set**



Curtain Set in refined white pattern. Finish ed with 2 1/4 inch ruffles in colors. Each curtain is 20x90 inches. 2 pairs, 4 Curtains, 4 Tie-Backs & 2 Ruffled Valances. 10 pieces in all. **ALL GIVEN** to you as one premium for distributing only one order. Postpaid

## **32 Piece Rose Petal DINNER SET GIVEN**



**Set GIVEN** for selling 2 orders. Sent express collect.

## **JUNIOR GUITAR GIVEN**



Get this hand-some instrument **NOW**. Here's How: Just send your name and address. **SEND NO MONEY. WE TRUST YOU** with 28 pkts. of Garden Seeds to sell at 10 cts. a pkt. When sold send \$2.80 collected and **WE WILL SEND** this mahogany finished guitar and Five Minute Instruction Book absolutely **FREE**. Send for seeds **NOW**.

## **Ladies' New Fashion WRIST WATCH GIVEN**



More Than a Guaranteed Timekeeper Sparkling enameled ivory case. Quarts and movement. Yours for disposing of only two orders of Garden Spot Seeds. **MAIL TODAY.**



## **Crinkled BED SPREAD**

The crinkled stripes are neatly woven in contrasting shades. Size 80x90 inches. A beauty. Simply dispose of 1 order.

## **BASKETBALL GIVEN**



Latest Rubber Valve Type **Send No Money**. Just name and address. **GIVEN** for disposing of only 28 pkts. of Garden Spot Seeds at 10c a pkt. **WRITE FOR SEEDS TODAY** Hurry! Be First

**SEND NO MONEY** Just MAIL COUPON

## **Blue Bird Granite Cooking Set**



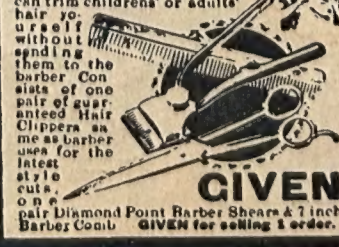
Convenient and sanitary kitchen utensils. Entire Set, given as one Premium, consists of four regular-sized pieces: 1 Mixing Bowl, 1 Pudding Pan, 1 Preserving Kettle, with handle, 1 Sauce Pan. **GIVEN** for selling only 28 pkts. of Garden Spot Seeds at 10c a pkt. **Write for seeds TODAY**. **Send No Money. We Trust You. Hurry! Be First.**



## **VIOLIN, BOW & INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN**

Handsome finish, highly polished. Set of strings and bow included. **Send no money** **GIVEN** for selling only one order. **MAIL THE COUPON TODAY** BE FIRST

## **Home BARBER Outfit**



Here is a money-saver. You can trim children's or adults' hair yourself without sending them to the barber. Consists of one pair of guaranteed Hair Clippers as me as barber use for the latest style cuts. One pair Diamond Point Barber Shears & 7 inch Barber Comb. **GIVEN** for selling 1 order.

## **PRIZE TYPEWRITER GIVEN**



\$10 for best and neatest letter written on this machine by July. Yet simply dispose of only one order of Garden Spot Seeds at 10c a pkt. and Typewriter is yours.



## **GIANT SPY-GLASS 3 FOOT TELESCOPE**

See moon, stars and people miles away. Gives new pleasure. Always ready. **GIVEN** for selling only one order. **Send for seeds today**

## **Midget Pocket RADIO GIVEN**

for selling only two 28 packet orders of Garden Spot Seeds at 10c a pkt. Radio needs no batteries or electrical connections. Is complete and ready for use anywhere. **SEND NO MONEY. WE TRUST YOU. Hurry!** Just use this Coupon. Do not wait; do it **NOW**

Write for Seeds to Lancaster County Seed Co., Sta. 499 Paradise, Pa.

MAIL COUPON TODAY for

# 5 FREE

PROMPTNESS PRIZES!

SENT RIGHT ALONG WITH YOUR REGULAR PREMIUM IF WE GET THIS COUPON IN THE NEXT 5 DAYS. SO HURRY! FILL OUT TODAY and MAIL.

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SIMULATION WRIST WATCH

G-MEN BADGE

MULTI-TONED WHISTLE

Our 34th Year

MAIL COUPON TODAY

Lancaster County Seed Co., Station 499 Paradise, Pa. Please send me 28 packets (one order) of Garden Spot Seeds to sell at 10 cts. a pkt. for a fine Gift. I will sell and pay for seeds in 30 days. Also send right along with my Regular Premium the 5 FREE PROMPTNESS PRIZES SHOWN ABOVE.

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Post Office .....

State .....

Street or R. F. D. .... Box. ....

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Save 2 cents by filling-in, pasting and mailing this Coupon on a 1c Post Card TODAY





# STARMAN

by  
JACK BURNLEY



WHEN A SINISTER MASTER MIND WITH WARPED INTELLECT TAKES TERRIBLE VENGEANCE ON THOSE HE HATES, HE FINDS HIS EVIL POWERS CHALLENGED BY STARMAN, A FANTASTIC FIGURE OF THE NIGHT, WHO UTILIZES THE MYSTERIOUS FORCES OF THE STARS TO COMBAT CRIME AND INJUSTICE!

AS DR. SELBY, DEAN OF SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE, SITS ALONE IN HIS STUDY ONE NIGHT, A SINISTER FIGURE FURTIVELY OPENS THE BALCONY DOORS BEHIND HIM!



THIS COLLEGE ROUTINE GETS AWFULLY DULL... SOMETIMES, I WISH I HAD LED A LIFE OF ADVENTURE!

WITH A FAINT HISsing SOUND, A PUFF OF GREEN SMOKE SPURTS FROM AN ODD WEAPON IN THE INTRUDER'S HAND!



THE GREEN VAPOR HAS TAKEN EFFECT! SELBY IS UNCONSCIOUS! NOW TO CARRY HIM TO THE CAR!



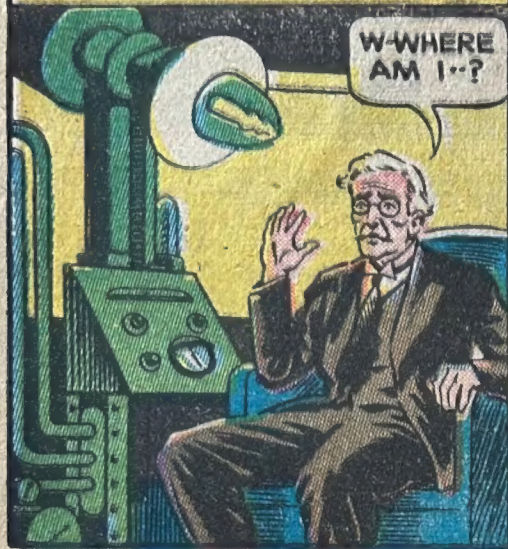
THE UNCONSCIOUS DR. SELBY IS TAKEN OUT TO A WAITING CAR, WHICH SPEEDS AWAY INTO THE NIGHT!

THE LIGHT WILL BE PLEASED TO SEE OUR NEW CAPTIVE!





LATER- DR. SELBY AWAKENS IN A STRANGE LABORATORY FILLED WITH FANTASTIC APPARATUS!



W-WHERE AM I-?

-THEN A SWARTHY, BEARDED MAN, GARBED IN LABORATORY DRESS, APPROACHES HIM- GREETINGS, MY ESTEEMED COLLEAGUE! I AM HIGHLY FLATTERED TO HAVE YOU PRESENT AT ONE OF MY HUMBLE EXPERIMENTS!



WHO ARE YOU? YOUR FACE IS FAMILIAR--BUT I CAN'T SEEM TO PLACE YOU--

I AM KNOWN AS THE LIGHT--MANY YEARS AGO YOU EXPELLED ME FROM YOUR SCIENTIFIC COLLEGE--YOU SAID I WAS MAD, AND LAUGHED AT ME-- NOW, AT LAST, I HAVE PERFECTED MY DIMINISHING RAY, AND I AM GOING TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE REDUCING TREATMENT FREE!



AS THE LIGHT PULLS A SWITCH, A HUGE LAMP IS FOCUSED UPON THE STILL GROGGY DR. SELBY-- BURNING RAYS SEEM TO PIERCE RIGHT THROUGH HIM-- THEN, SUDDENLY, THE OBJECTS AROUND HIM SEEM TO GROW LARGER!



THE HEAT-- I CAN'T STAND IT MUCH LONGER!

REDUCED TO THE SIZE OF A DOLL! DO YOU STILL SCOFF AT MY DIMINISHING RAY, DR. SELBY?



NO! NO! TURN IT OFF! PLEASE!

THIS IS INCREDIBLE! I SEEM TO BE SHRINKING!



AS THE MAD SCIENTIST LOOMS OVER HIM LIKE A FIGURE IN A NIGHTMARE, DR. SELBY REELS AND LOSES CONSCIOUSNESS!





DR. SELBY REGAINS CONSCIOUSNESS TO FIND HIMSELF BACK IN HIS STUDY--

I--I MUST HAVE FALLEN ASLEEP--WHAT A WEIRD DREAM--THAT I WAS REDUCED TO A DOLL'S SIZE!

THE ROOM--THE FURNITURE--SO LARGE! THEN IT WASN'T A DREAM AFTER ALL! THIS IS TERRIBLE! SOMETHING MUST BE DONE AT ONCE TO STOP THAT MADMAN! IF I CAN ONLY LIFT THAT PHONE--

THE TINY DR. SELBY MANAGES TO CALL HIS OLD FRIEND, CHIEF WOODLEY ALLEN OF THE F.B.I.-- ALLEN ARRIVES AND IS AMAZED BY HIS STRANGE STORY

THIS FIEND WHO CALLS HIMSELF THE LIGHT IS MAD! HEAVEN KNOWS HOW MANY OTHER PEOPLE HE HAS REDUCED WITH HIS HORRIBLE RAY!

THIS IS FANTASTIC! IF I DIDN'T SEE YOU WITH MY OWN EYES, DR. SELBY, I WOULD NEVER BELIEVE YOUR STORY!

THE AWFUL PART OF IT IS THAT I HAVE NO IDEA AT ALL WHERE THEY TOOK ME--I CAN'T GIVE YOU ANY CLUES TO THE LIGHT'S WHEREABOUTS!

HE'S PROBABLY NOT VERY FAR AWAY--WE'LL SCOUR THE CITY FOR HIM!

DON'T WORRY, DR. SELBY--WE'LL CATCH THIS CRAZY SCIENTIST AND MAKE HIM RESTORE YOU TO NORMAL SIZE!

YOU MUST BE CAREFUL--HE'S MORE DANGEROUS THAN YOU REALIZE!

LATER--WHEN ALLEN RETURNS TO HIS OFFICE, THE PHONE RINGS AND A HARSH, METALLIC VOICE SPEAKS--

THIS IS THE LIGHT CALLING! I KNOW THAT DR. SELBY HAS COME TO YOU FOR AID, BUT I WARN YOU--KEEP OUT OF THIS, OR YOU WILL MEET THE SAME FATE! YOUR STUPID DETECTIVES WILL NEVER FIND ME! (CLICK)

HELLO--HELLO!

ALLEN TAKES A METAL CAPSULE FROM HIS POCKET AND UNSCREWS THE TOP!

THE EMANATIONS FROM THIS RADIO-ACTIVE CAPSULE WILL FLASH MY CALL TO STARMAN, WHEREVER HE MAY BE--I KNOW HE'LL BE INTERESTED IN THIS CASE!



AT THAT VERY MOMENT, TED KNIGHT, WEALTHY PLAYBOY, IS DRIVING THRU THE COUNTRY WITH HIS FIANCEE, DORIS LEE--

I HAVEN'T HEARD YOU COMPLAIN ABOUT YOUR HEALTH TODAY, TED! CAN IT BE THAT YOU'RE ACTUALLY FEELING WELL?

NOT WELL, DORIS-- JUST A LITTLE BETTER--

YOU AND YOUR IMAGINARY AILMENTS! YOU'VE BEEN TO EVERY DOCTOR IN TOWN AND THEY ALL SAY YOU'RE FIT AS A FIDDLE!

WHY, YOU KNOW VERY WELL I'M A SICK MAN, DORIS!

AS THEY DRIVE NEAR THE ELMWOOD SANITARIUM, TED STOPS THE CAR--

OH--THIS IS TERRIBLE--ONE OF MY DIZZY SPELLS HAS HIT ME AGAIN! IT'S FORTUNATE WE'RE SO NEAR THE SANITARIUM! I'D BETTER STAY HERE FOR A FEW DAYS AND REST UP!

ALL YOU DO IS REST! YOU'RE HOPELESS, TED!

I--I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND DRIVING HOME ALONE, DORIS!

NOT AT ALL! IT WILL BE A PLEASURE!

--BUT-- AFTER DORIS LEAVES, AN AMAZING CHANGE OCCURS-- THE SICKLY PLAYBOY, TED KNIGHT, BECOMES THE MYSTERY MAN OF NIGHT-- STARMAN! HIS BORED AND TIRED LOOK VANISHES, AS HE CHANGES TO THE COLORFUL RED RAIMENT!

THE GRAVITY ROD-- A DEVICE THAT TURNS STARLIGHT INTO ENERGY!

THE POWER OF THE GRAVITY ROD HAS BROUGHT ME HUNDREDS OF MILES IN A FEW SECONDS!

IT IS THE SECRET MEETING PLACE WHERE CHIEF ALLEN WAITS--STARMAN ENTERS--

STARMAN! I KNEW YOU'D GET MY CALL! I NEED YOUR AID IN TRACKING DOWN A FIEND WHO REDUCES PEOPLE TO THE SIZE OF DOLLS!

TELL ME MORE ABOUT HIM!

HIS AMAZING INVENTION CARRIES STARMAN THRU THE SKY TO A LONELY SHACK ON A HIGH CLIFF!



ALLEN RECOUNTS DR. SELBY'S STORY OF THE LIGHT AND HIS TERRIBLE DIMINISHING RAY!



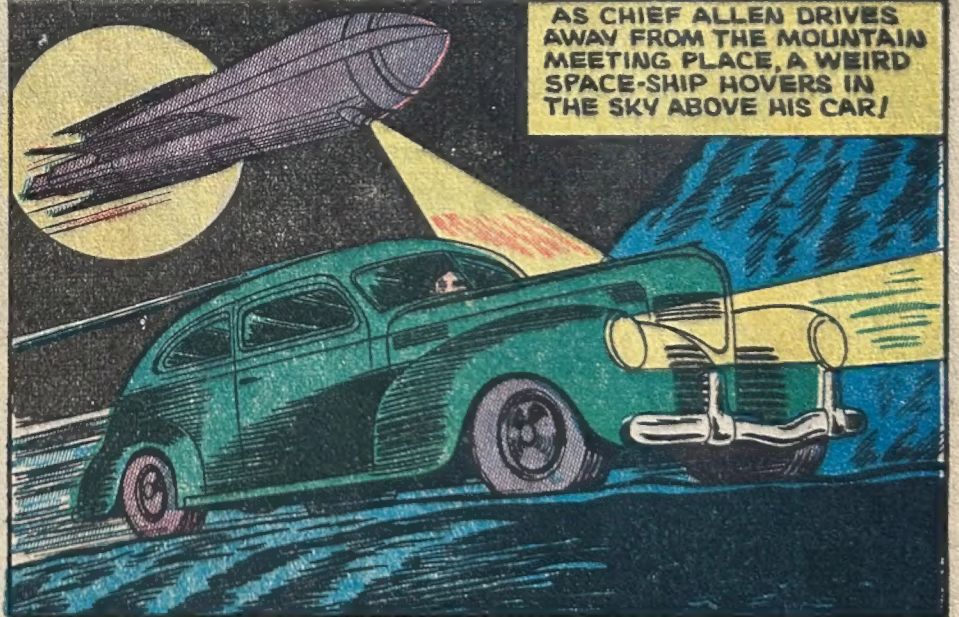
MEANWHILE, HIGH IN THE STRATOSPHERE WITHIN A STRANGE SPACE SHIP, THE LIGHT SITS BEFORE AN ULTRA-TELEVISIO-SCREEN-



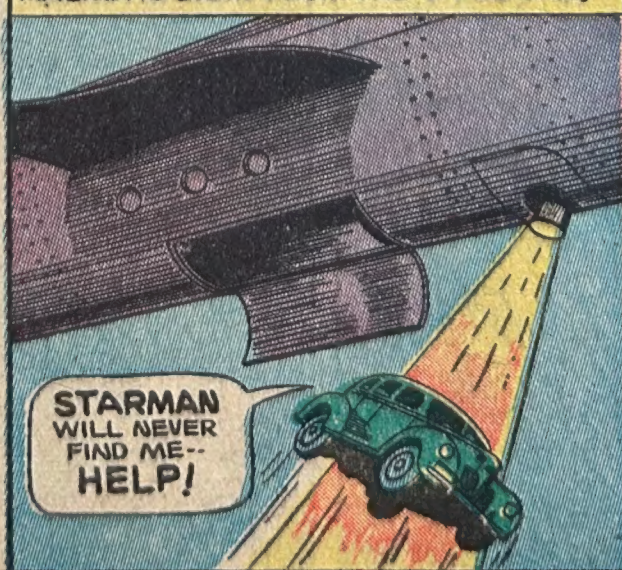
IF STARMAN THINKS HE CAN OUTWIT ME, HE IS IN FOR A RUDE SURPRISE! HE WILL REGRET THE DAY HE TRIED TO MEDDLE IN THE LIGHT'S AFFAIRS!



AS CHIEF ALLEN DRIVES AWAY FROM THE MOUNTAIN MEETING PLACE, A WEIRD SPACE-SHIP HOVERS IN THE SKY ABOVE HIS CAR!



ALLEN'S CAR IS PICKED UP BY A STRONG MAGNETIC DRAW FROM THE SPACE-SHIP!



THE CAR IS BEING LIFTED INTO THE AIR!



--BUT AS THE CAR IS DRAWN UP INTO THE SKY VESSEL, STARMAN ALSO ENTERS, BEFORE THE HUGE HATCH CAN CLOSE!





WITHIN THE SHIP STARMAN IS AMAZED TO SEE THE LATEST VICTIM OF THE LIGHT'S RAY--DORIS LEE, REDUCED TO DOLL-SIZE!



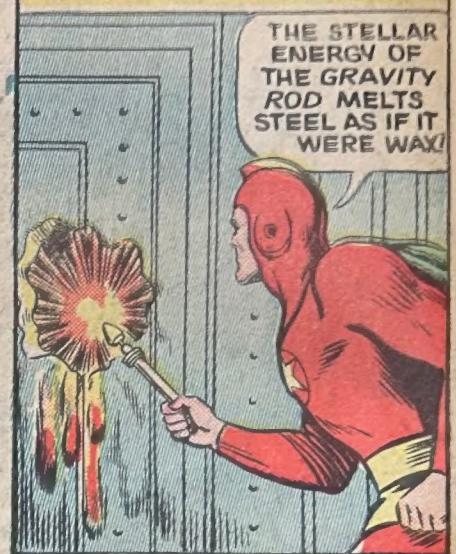
WHO ARE YOU?  
WHAT DO YOU WANT?  
HAVEN'T I BEEN THRU ENOUGH?

(SHE DOESN'T RECOGNIZE ME--I MUSTN'T GIVE MY IDENTITY AWAY!)

PLEASE DON'T BE FRIGHTENED--I HAVE COME TO HELP YOU--EVERYTHING WILL BE ALL RIGHT--YOU MUST TRUST ME--



AS STARMAN SEARCHES FOR CHIEF ALLEN, HIS PATH IS BLOCKED BY A METAL DOOR--



THE STELLAR ENERGY OF THE GRAVITY ROD MELTS STEEL AS IF IT WERE WAX!

WHEN THE DOOR MELTS BEFORE THE ROD'S POWER, STARMAN ENTERS A DARK CORRIDOR!



ALLEN!  
ARE YOU SAFE?  
WHERE ARE YOU?

A PHOSPHORESCENT GLEAM SHINES IN THE GLOOM--THEN THE LIGHT APPEARS IN A DOORWAY--



I HAVE BEEN EXPECTING A VISIT FROM YOU--COME RIGHT IN--YOUR FRIEND ALLEN IS UNHARMED!

HERE IS CHIEF ALLEN, THE GREAT CRIME INVESTIGATOR--STILL IN PERFECT HEALTH, BUT CONSIDERABLY REDUCED IN SIZE!



ALLEN!  
THIS IS HORRIBLE!

STARMAN!  
LOOK WHAT THIS FIEND HAS DONE TO ME!

YOU CAN'T GET AWAY WITH THIS, LIGHT! I KNOW YOUR REDUCING RAY CAN BE REVERSED TO RESTORE PEOPLE TO THEIR NORMAL SIZE--BRING ALLEN AND THE GIRL BACK TO NORMAL SIZE, OR--



BUT AS STARMAN SPEAKS, A PUFF OF GREENISH SMOKE COMES FROM THE MOUTH OF A WEIRD IDOL BEHIND HIM!





IT IS THE DEADLY GREEN VAPOR--UNDER ITS SOPORIFIC EFFECT, STARMAN STAGGERS AND FALLS, DROPPING THE GRAVITY ROD!



THE UNCONSCIOUS STARMAN IS PLACED UNDER THE BURNING RAYS OF A GIANT REDUCING RAY LAMP!



THE NOW TINY STARMAN REGAINS CONSCIOUSNESS!



DORIS AND CHIEF ALLEN ARE HORRIFIED TO SEE WHAT HAS BEFALLEN STARMAN.



THIS IS JUST THE START OF MY GREAT PLAN! WITH MY RAY, I WILL REDUCE THE HEADS OF THE NATION, THE ARMY AND NAVY--ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD--LEAVING ME TO HEAD A SUPER-RACE!



THE LIGHT GOES TO THE CONTROL ROOM, LEAVING THE TINY TRIO IN THE REDUCING CHAMBER--



JUST THEN--A HUGE HAND REACHES DOWN AT STARMAN!









THE FRIGHTENED HIRELING AGREES  
TO RESTORE **STARMAN** TO USUAL SIZE--



IN A FEW SECONDS, THE  
MAN OF NIGHT GROWS  
BACK TO NORMAL SIZE--



THEN, ALLEN AND DORIS  
REGAIN THEIR FULL HEIGHT  
UNDER THE POWERFUL RAY--



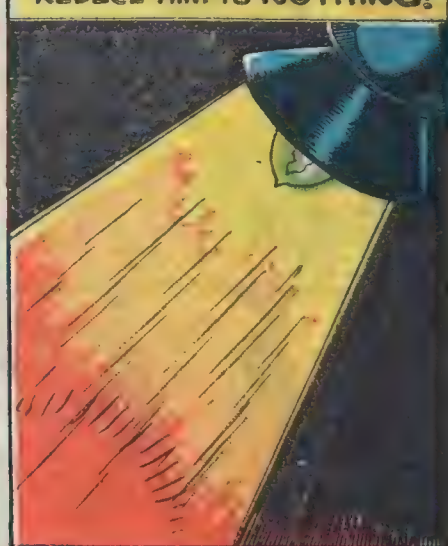
AT THAT MOMENT, THE  
LIGHT RETURNS AND  
IS INFURIATED TO SEE  
HE HAS BEEN FOILED!



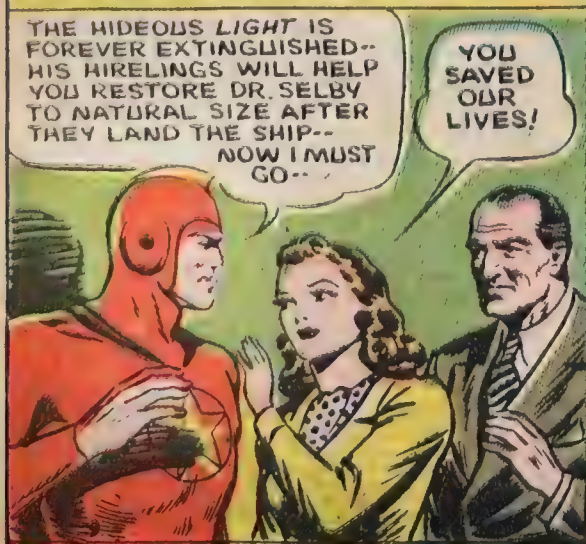
RAGING, THE LIGHT ACCIDENTALLY  
BRUSHES AGAINST A SWITCH THAT  
STARTS HIS MACHINE GOING!



AND THE DISINTEGRATION  
TUBE'S SEARING RAYS  
REDUCE HIM TO NOTHING!

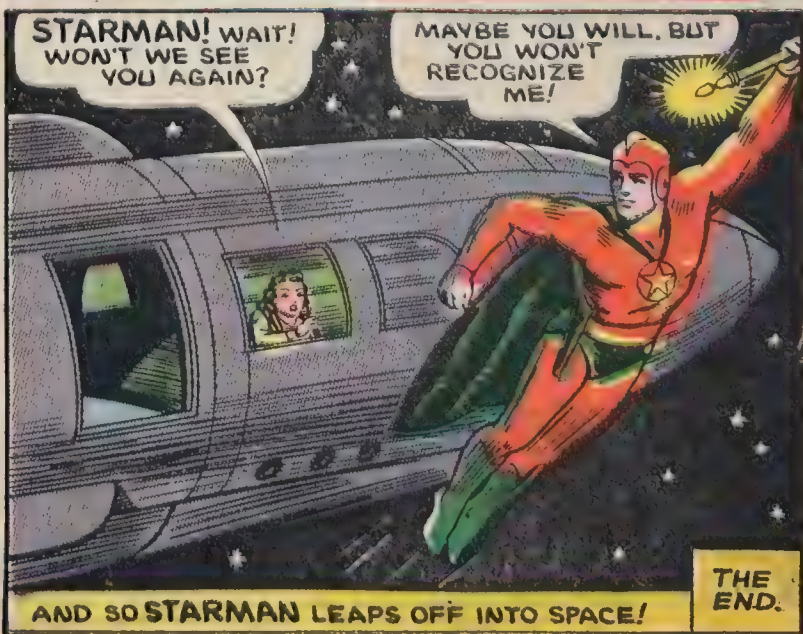


THE MENACE OF THE LIGHT IS ENDED,  
AND ALL ARE RESTORED TO NORMAL  
SIZE, SO **STARMAN** BIDS THEM ADIEU!



**STARMAN!** WAIT!  
WON'T WE SEE  
YOU AGAIN?

MAYBE YOU WILL, BUT  
YOU WON'T  
RECOGNIZE  
ME!



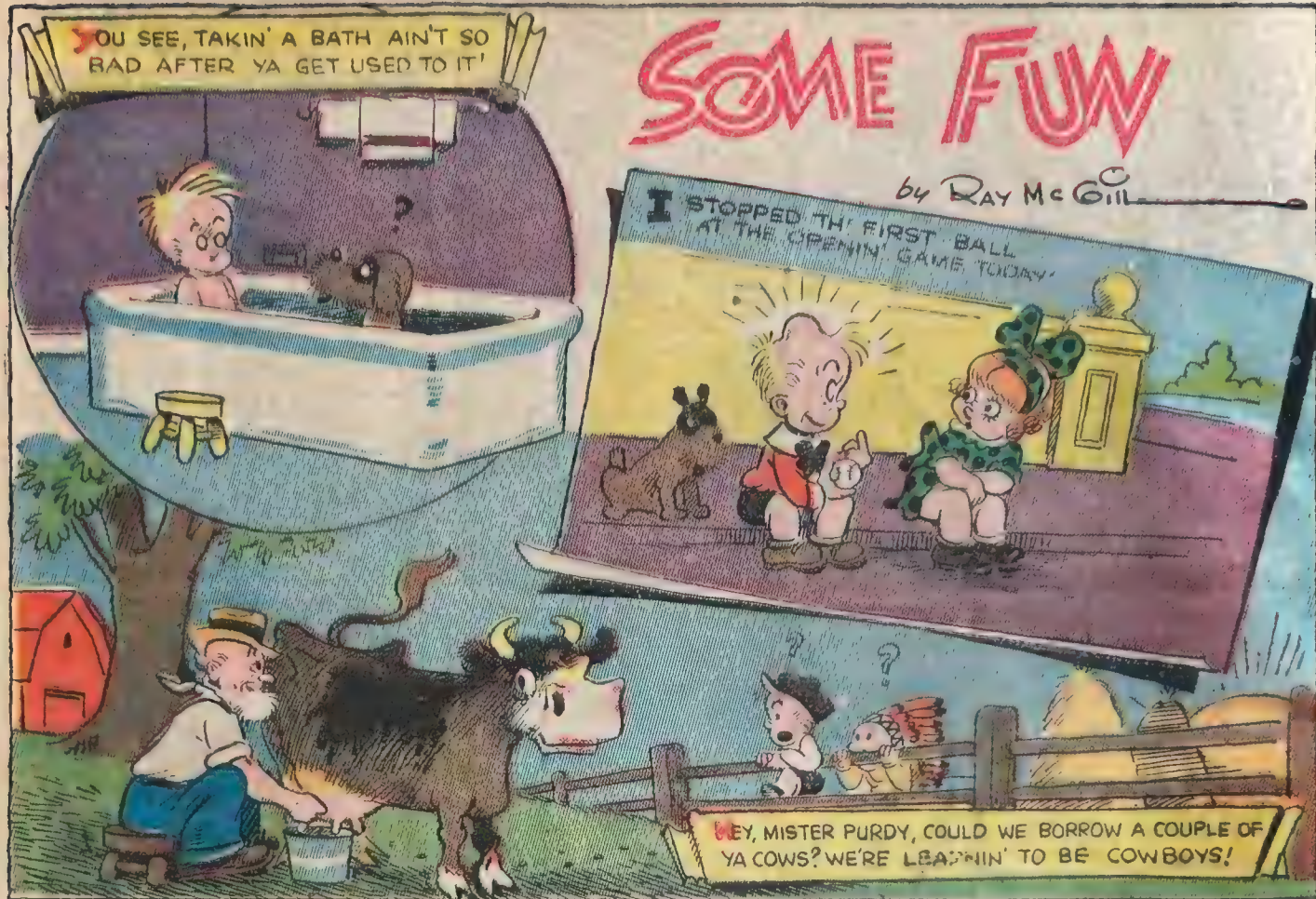
THE  
END.



YOU SEE, TAKIN' A BATH AIN'T SO  
BAD AFTER YA GET USED TO IT!

# SOME FUN

by RAY Mc GILL



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# MARK LANSING

OF MIKISHAWM—

BY HOWARD PURCELL



GOSTA THE SPY IS DEAD, HIS POWER BROKEN FOREVER— LISHAK THE OUTLAW, WHO BEFRIENDED MARK, LOST HIS LIFE BY HELPING THE EARTHLING. TIME HEALS ALL WOUNDS—THE DAYS ROLL BY. PEACE REIGNS SUPREME— AND THEN— ONCE MORE, AT THE PALACE GATE—

WHAT DO YOU WANT HERE, STRANGER?

I HAVE TRAVELED FAR TO FIND A MAN WITH WHITE SKIN. THEY CALL HIM MARK LANSING.



THE RAGGED STRANGER COLLAPSES, BUT IS CAUGHT BY THE GUARD WHO BECKONS TO HIS COMPANION— "COME, LANTO. WE'LL TAKE HIM TO MARK. IT'S JUST POSSIBLE HIS MISSION IS IMPORTANT!"





THE BIRDLY IS GIVEN FOOD AND WATER AND BROUGHT BEFORE MARK LANSING.

HEAR MY STORY, SIRE DO YOU REMEMBER A MAN NAMED JADA?

OF COURSE. HE WAS MY FRIEND-- TELL ME, WHAT DO YOU KNOW OF HIM?

HE NEEDS YOUR HELP BADLY-- A LONG TIME AGO, WHEN JADA AND YOURSELF ESCAPED FROM MOKAN THE MONSTER-- HE MADE HIS WAY HOMEWARD-- HE WANTED TO COME BACK AND HELP YOU-- LISTEN, EARTHLING, WHILE I TELL YOU HIS STORY--!

WHEN JADA ESCAPED FROM MOKAN, HE MADE OFF WITH A ROCKET SHIP-- THRU THE LONG NIGHT, HE STREAMED SOUTH.

AND THEN, HIS FUEL GAVE OUT-- HE CRASHED DEEP IN UNKNOWN JUNGLES-- FOR TWO DAYS, HE FOUGHT HIS WAY THRU THE MIRE--

HE FINALLY REACHED THE OPEN PLAINS-- THE DESIRE TO SEE HIS OWN HOME ONCE AGAIN WAS ALL THAT KEPT HIM ALIVE--



BUT HIS STRENGTH GAVE OUT-- FEVER WRACKED HIS BODY-- HIS MEMORY FADED-- ONE DAY, HE AWOKE IN A PEASANT'S COTTAGE-- THE PEASANT HAD FOUND HIM, NURSED HIM BACK TO HEALTH--

JADA WAS STRONG-- HE REGAINED HIS STRENGTH QUICKLY-- HE LEFT THE KINDLY PEASANT AND CONTINUED ON HIS WAY-- HE OVERCAME INCREDIBLE HARDSHIPS-- BUT HE MADE IT--





BUT TRAGEDY AWAITED JADA. HIS BELOVED CITY LAY UNDER THE IRON HAND OF A CONQUEROR-- THE JAT MONGOS, AN UNKNOWN RACE OF PEOPLE AND THEIR LEADER, KARKAN THE CRUEL!



JADA'S FATHER, THE KING OF MIKISHAWM, WAS IMPRISONED DEEP IN THE DUNGEONS--



THE BRUTAL JAT MONGOS, UNDER KARKAN, CAME IN THE NIGHT--THE INVADERS SWARMED OVER THE CITY LIKE LOCUSTS, DESTROYING, PILLAGING!



THE CITY FOUGHT BACK FOR THREE DAYS AND NIGHTS, BUT THE RESISTANCE WAS FUTILE. THE INVADERS WERE NUMEROUS AS THE BLADES OF GRASS



AND SO THE CITY FELL--THOSE CAPTIVES WHO WERE NOT IMPRISONED, WERE MADE TO WORK AS SLAVES. EACH MAN WORE A NUMBER.



AND JADA, PRINCE OF MIKISHAWM, CAME HOME TO THIS--

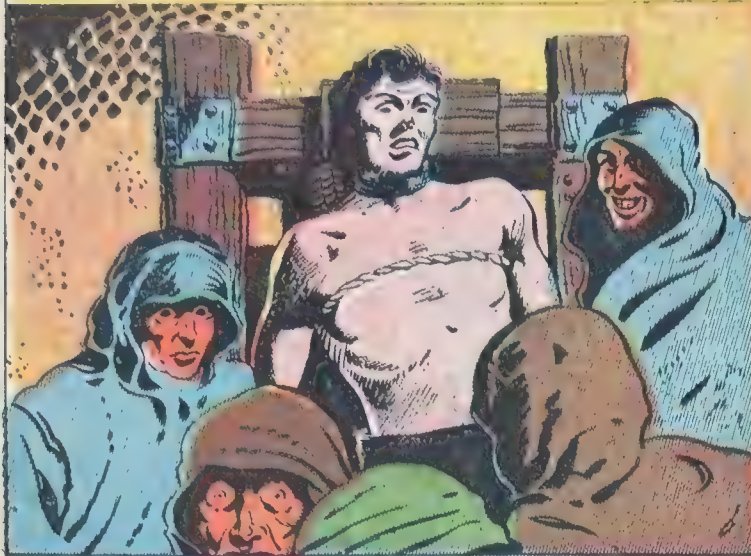


THE DAZED JADA FELL EASY PREY TO AN ALERT, JAT GUARD.





**HIS** IDENTITY WAS LEARNED, AND HE WAS THROWN DEEP INTO A FOUL CELL.



WATER, AFTER JADA WAS TAUGHT OBEDIANCE, HE WAS MOVED IN WITH OTHER PRISONERS. IT WAS THERE I MET HIM - HE OFTEN SPOKE OF YOU!



SOON AFTER THAT, I WAS MADE TO WORK IN THE PALACE KITCHEN - ONE NIGHT, MY CHANCE CAME. I OVERPOWERED A GUARD!

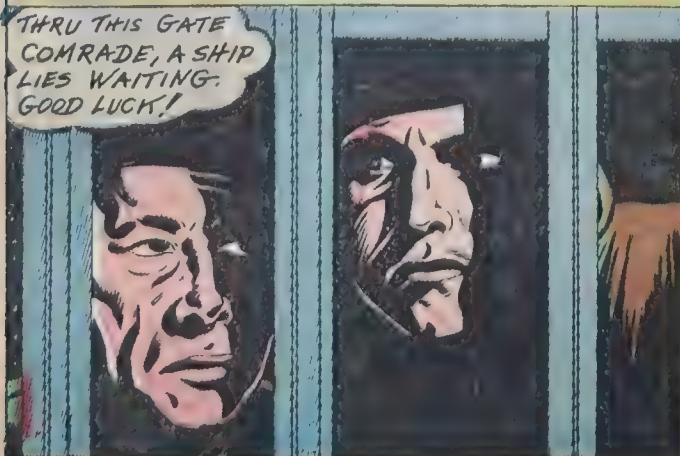


I RAIDED THE PALACE CLOSETS - FOUND A PEASANT'S COSTUME. CAUTIOUSLY, I MADE MY WAY THRU THE CORRIDORS!



I WAS VERY LUCKY. I SLIPPED OUT OF THE PALACE UNNOTICED. I MADE FOR KARAKAN'S ROCKET AIRDROME. AGAIN MY LUCK HELD. A SYMPATHETIC SLAVE HEARD MY STORY. HE HELPED ME SECURE A SHIP!

THRU THIS GATE COMRADE, A SHIP LIES WAITING. GOOD LUCK!



I ESCAPED IN THE ROCKET SHIP AND DROVE MY SHIP NORTHWARD. MY ONE THOUGHT WAS TO FIND YOU. I HAD NO PLACE ELSE TO GO ANYWAY!





FOR THREE DAYS, MY SHIP HELD OUT. I DODGED ALL PATROLS AND GOT SAFELY OVER THE FORBIDDEN MOUNTAINS ~



BUT ROCKETS DON'T LAST FOREVER. MINE FAILED ~ I LANDED IN UNKNOWN TERRITORY!



I CHANGED CLOTHES, TOOK THE SHIP'S HAND WEAPONS, AND PLUNGED INTO THE UNKNOWN ~



I INQUIRED IN CITIES AND HAMLETS OF A MAN WITH WHITE SKIN KNOWN AS MARK LANSING. SOME PEOPLE HAD HEARD OF YOU ~ FINALLY, I WAS TOLD I MIGHT FIND YOU IN VERDAN ~ I STARTED OUT!



VERDAN!  
IF I CAN  
LAST THAT  
LONG!

AND HERE I AM, MORE DEAD THAN ALIVE. BUT JADA NEEDS HELP ~ HE NEEDS A LEADER, A STRONG MAN LIKE YOURSELF ~ PICTURE IN YOUR MIND, KARAKAN THE CRUEL, THEN ANSWER!



THAT IS ALL OF MY STORY, MARK LANSING. THERE IS NOTHING MORE TO TELL!



FOR A LONG TIME, MARK DELIBERATES, AND THEN ~ I'VE HEARD ENOUGH, MY FRIEND. WORRY NO MORE. I'LL HELP YOU!



MARK PREPARES TO TELL KING TALON OF HIS PROJECTED TRIP ~



IT'S GOING TO  
BE HARD, SAY-  
ING GOODBYE!



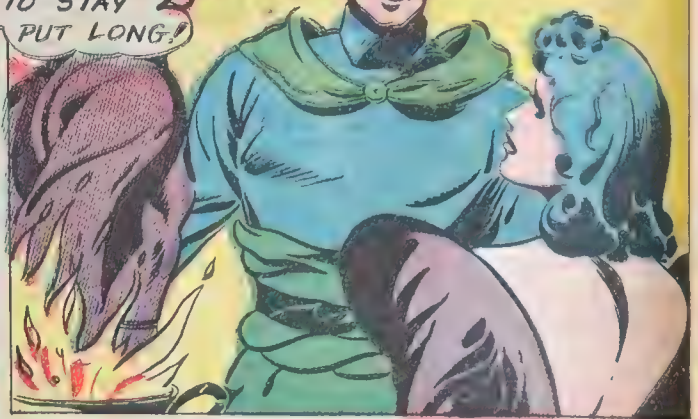
A FEW MINUTES LATER, HE BREAKS THE NEWS ~

MARK, I HATE TO SEE YOU GO. WE'VE BEEN THRU A LOT TOGETHER. WON'T YOU RECONSIDER?

SORRY, TALON, I FEEL LIKE YOU DO, BUT I'M SORT OF LIKE A MAN WITHOUT A COUNTRY. IT'S PRETTY HARD FOR ME TO STAY PUT LONG!

WHAT ABOUT KITTEN?

SHE'LL GO WITH ME. WE'RE GOING TO STRING ALONG TOGETHER!



THE NEXT TWO DAYS ARE A BEEHIVE OF ACTIVITY. A ROCKET SHIP IS FITTED OUT. THE MORNING OF THE TAKE OFF ARRIVES.

THE INDUCTORS ARE IN. THE SHIP IS READY!



WELL, KITTEN, TAKE A LAST LOOK AROUND. WE MIGHT NEVER SEE THIS PLACE AGAIN!



AND SO, FINAL GOODBYES ARE SAID ~

SO LONG, TALON. MAYBE, SOMEDAY WE'LL MEET AGAIN!

GOODBYE, MARK AND KIT, AND ALL THE LUCK IN THE WORLD!

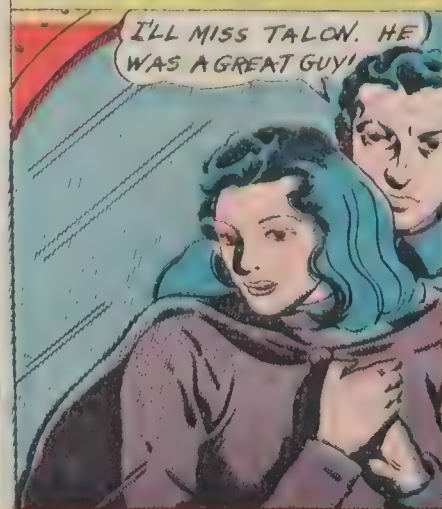


THEY ENTER THE SHIP. A FEW MINUTES LATER, THERE IS A DULL ROAR. THE GLEAMING SHIP LEAPS INTO THE BLUE



THE CITY OF VERDAN BELOW RAPIDLY DWINDLES IN SIZE AS THE ROCKET SHIP GAINS SPEED.

I'LL MISS TALON. HE WAS A GREAT GUY!



AND FAR BELOW, A LONELY KING STARES INTO THE HEAVENS AT A FAST DISAPPEARING SHIP, NOW A TINY SPECK.

SO LONG, EARTHLING. YOU'LL HAVE MANY ADVENTURES. I WONDER WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO YOU, BUT I'LL PROBABLY NEVER KNOW!



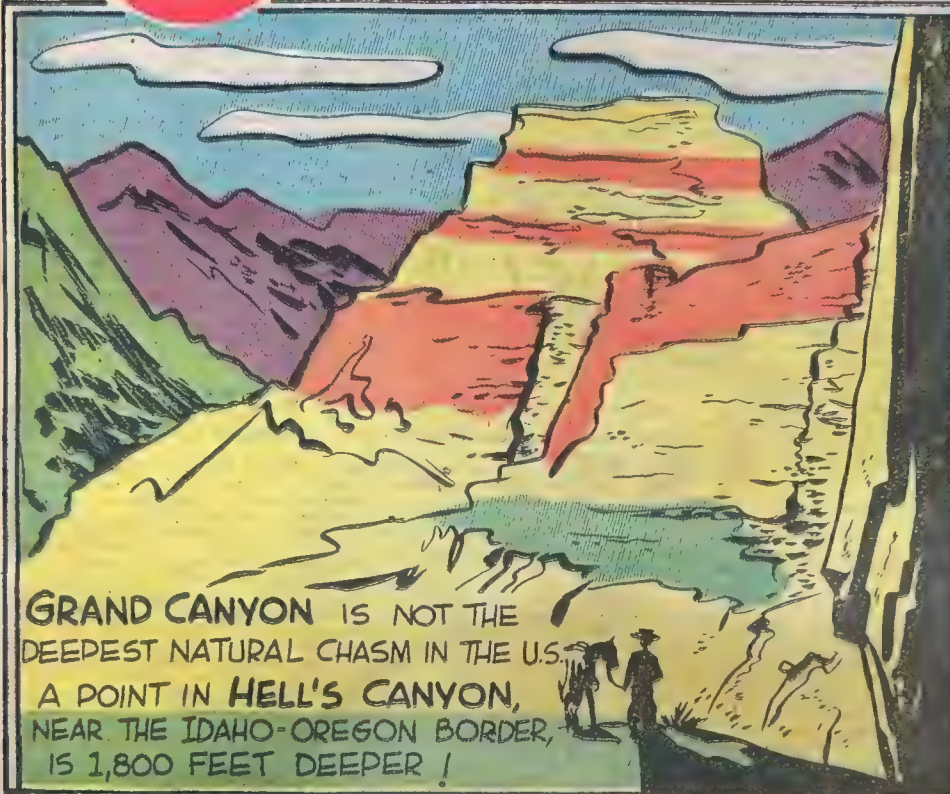
AND SO... FAREWELL!



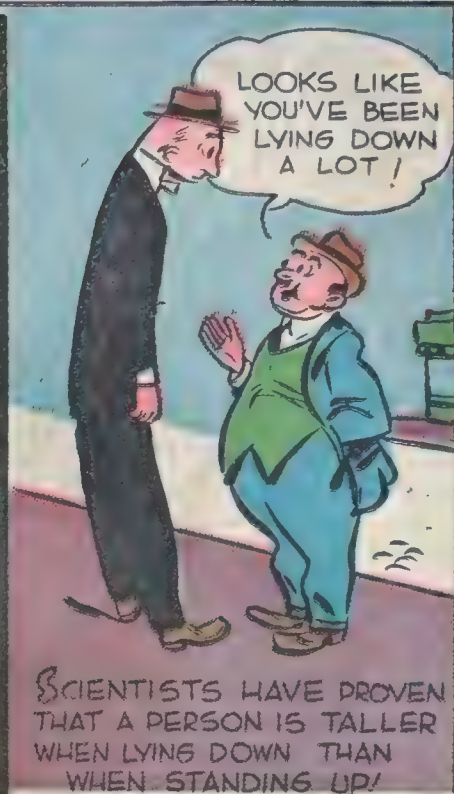
# ODDITIES!

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HENRY  
BOLTIWOFF



GRAND CANYON IS NOT THE  
DEEPEST NATURAL CHASM IN THE U.S.  
A POINT IN HELL'S CANYON,  
NEAR THE IDAHO-OREGON BORDER,  
IS 1,800 FEET DEEPER!



LOOKS LIKE  
YOU'VE BEEN  
LYING DOWN  
A LOT!

SCIENTISTS HAVE PROVEN  
THAT A PERSON IS TALLER  
WHEN LYING DOWN THAN  
WHEN STANDING UP!

## WIN this CAR!

### JUST SEND US A NAME

We will give this car to you for sending us the most outstanding name for it! Can't you just imagine yourself driving it down the street? IT'S NOT A TOY—this is a real car and all you have to do to get it is to send us the best name for it. This BIG, little racing car has a 4-cylinder air-cooled gasoline motor, big 16x4-inch balloon tires and a wheel base of 60 inches. It is 88 inches long and 26 inches high and can be driven from 5 to 25 miles per hour, using about only one gallon of gas for each 70 miles.

Send in the name you think fits this car. Names like "Flash-ing Arrow," "Speed King," and "Wonder Racer" are suitable, but you can think of a much better one. Remember, the car is just like the one shown in the picture above. It is a BIG, snappy-looking racer with a REAL MOTOR and it will be given to the boy or girl who sends in the best name for it. Send your car name TODAY!

Mail Your  
Name Today



**\$100.00**  
IN ADDITIONAL  
CASH PRIZES

### 25 Prizes for Boys and Girls

In addition to the car, we are also going to give 24 other big cash prizes to the boys and girls sending in the next best names. The car itself is First Prize; Second Prize will be \$30.00; Third Prize will be \$15.00; Fourth Prize will be \$10.00; Fifth Prize will be \$5.00; and the next 20 prizes will be \$2.00 each. Duplicate prizes will be paid in the event of ties. This offer is open to everyone living in the United States with the exception of those who have won major cash prizes from us since January 1, 1936. You should

send in but one name for the car and your entry must be mailed before May 24, 1941.

### IT'S EASY TO WIN

Think of all the fun you would have driving a REAL CAR like this. You would be more popular than ever with a streamlined racer and even running errands would be fun. It pays to be prompt, so send us your name for the car RIGHT AWAY! The name you have in mind now may win a prize. Just write your name for the car on a penny postcard, sign your own name and address and mail it to:

JUNIOR AUTO CLUB, 61 Copper Building, Topeka, Kansas





# FEDERAL MEN

CHAD

AT HIGHVIEW, ARMY AND NAVY CHIEFS AND FRIENDS ARRIVE AT THE GRADUATION OF THE FIRST PARACHUTE TROOPS!

ISN'T IT THRILLING? WHO IS THAT HANDSOME MAN THERE?

WHY, IT'S STEVE CARSON OF THE F.B.I.! HEY, STEVE!

## SABOTAGE

**SABOTAGE!** THE BLOW IN THE DARK STRUCK BY AMERICA'S UNSEEN ENEMIES!... THE COWARD'S WAY OF FIGHTING, SABOTAGE! THE SABOTEURS ARE BROUGHT TO LIGHT BY STEVE CARSON OF THE F.B.I.!.....



STEVE, THIS IS DONNA DEVERE, A VISITOR TO OUR COUNTRY! SHE WONDERS WHETHER WE NEED F.B.I. MEN FOR OUR EXERCISES!

I'M NOT HERE OFFICIALLY! I WAS HEADING BACK TO WASHINGTON, AND THOUGHT I'D LOOK IN!

THEY'RE GETTING READY TO JUMP!

ON THE MAMMOTH APPARATUS, THE GRADUATES PREPARE TO SHOW THEIR SKILL.....



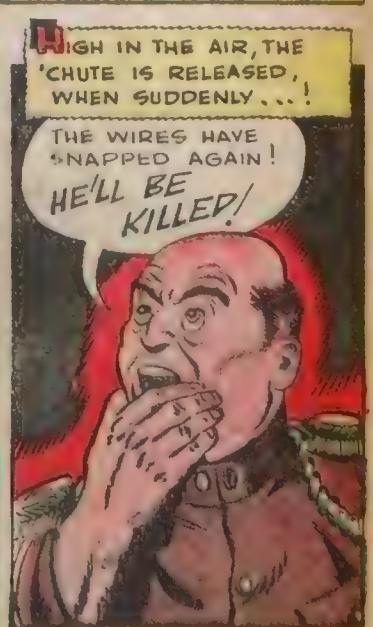
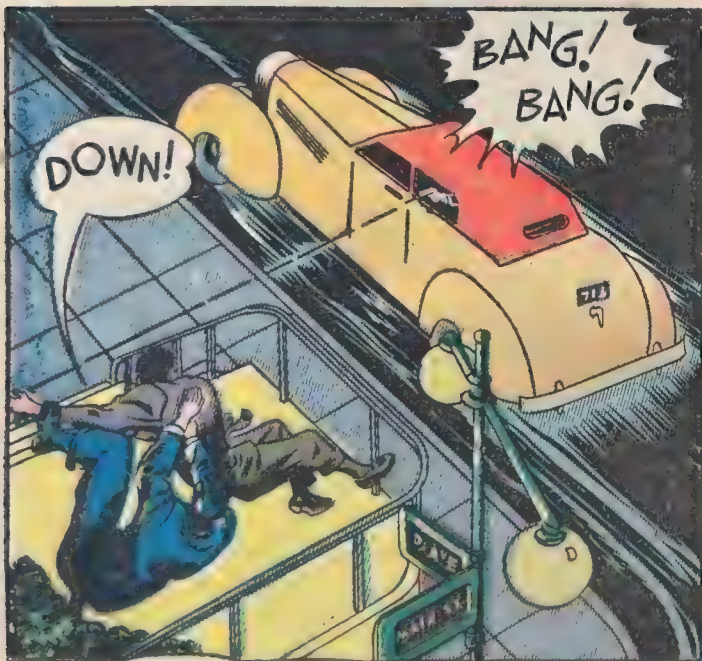
THEY'RE GOING TO SHOW THE FIRST STEPS TOWARD MAKING A PARACHUTIST!



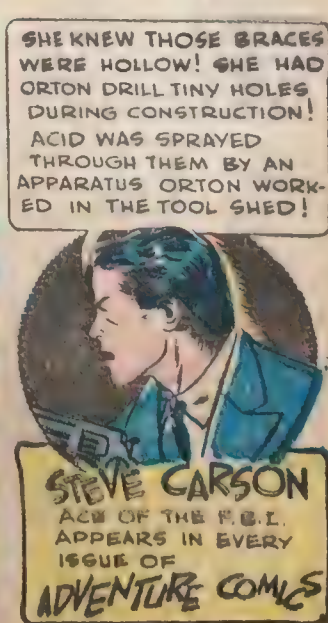














# STEVE CONRAD

## ADVENTURER

BY JACK LENTI



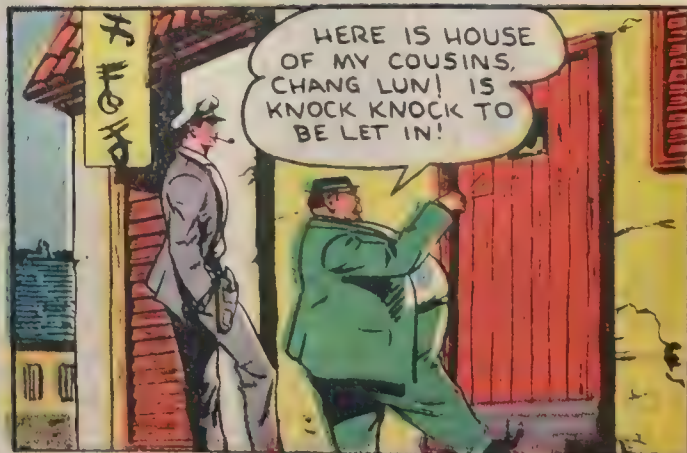
WELL, CHANG, HERE WE ARE IN THE LAND OF YOUR ANCESTORS — CHINA, THE STRONGHOLD OF THE DRAGON!

CHANG VELLY HAPPY TO BE ABLE TO MAKE VISITS ON RELATIVES!



WELL, START MAKING THE ROUNDS. YOU KNOW YOUR WAY AROUND THIS BURG A LITTLE BETTER THAN I DO!

OKEY-DOOKIE MIST' STEVE.



HERE IS HOUSE OF MY COUSINS, CHANG LUN! IS KNOCK KNOCK TO BE LET IN!



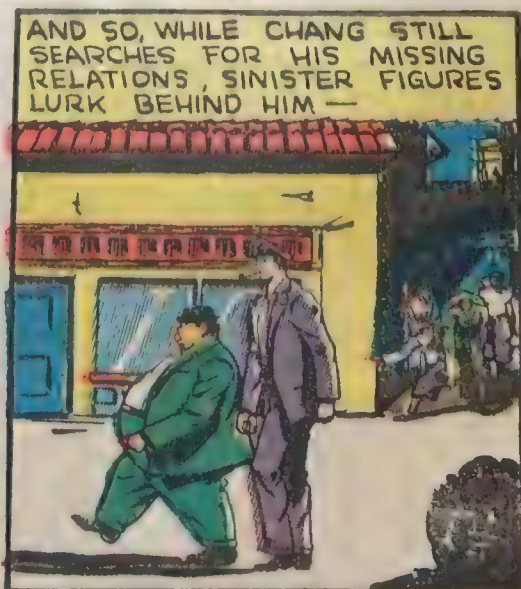
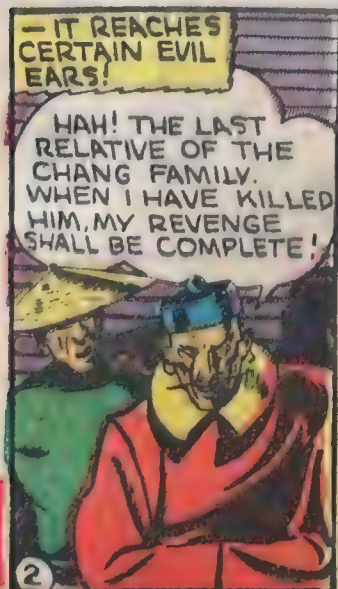
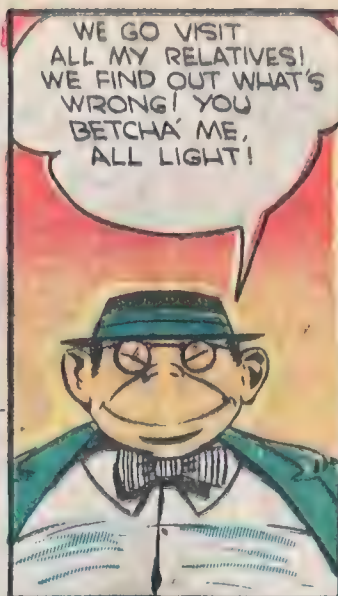
WHO IS, PLEASE?

TELL HONORABLE CHANG LUN HIS COUSIN CHANG IS COME TO VISIT!



CHANG LUN NO LIVE HERE! HE NEVER LIVE HERE! NEVER HEAR OF HIM GO 'WAY, FAT PIG!









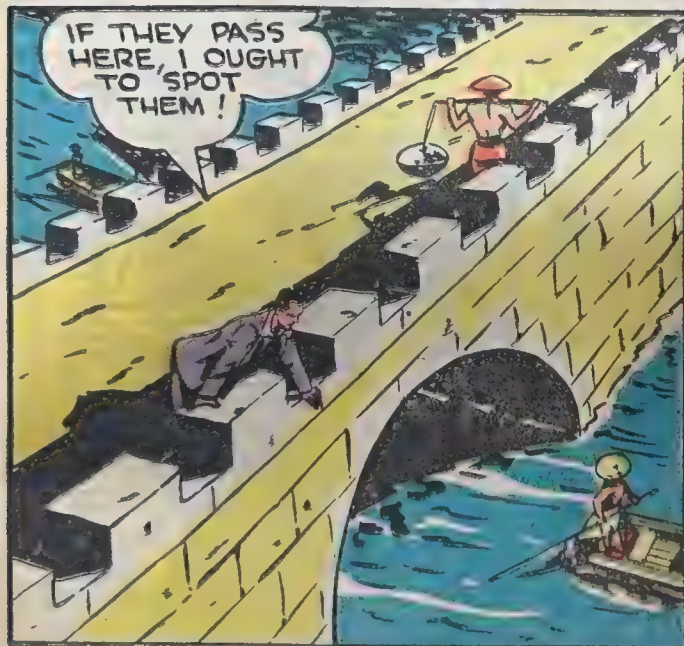




HERE'S THE WATERFRONT,  
BUT—WOW! HOW AM I  
GOING TO FIND THEM  
AMONG THESE JUNKS?



I'VE GOT IT! ANY OF THESE  
SHIPS THAT SAIL OUT  
OF HERE HAS TO PASS  
UNDER THE BRIDGE OF  
THE DRAGON — I'LL JUST  
POST MYSELF HERE!



IF THEY PASS  
HERE, I OUGHT  
TO SPOT  
THEM!



FINALLY!

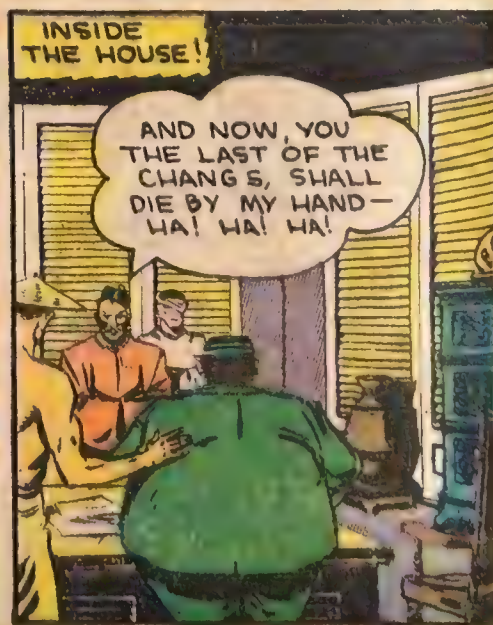


AHA! THOSE BIRDS  
WITH THE BUSTED  
HEADS LOOK LIKE  
THEY'VE BEEN IN  
A FIGHT!



HOW CONVENIENT—  
THEY'RE EVEN  
GOING TO GIVE  
ME A TOW!













# THE SPECTRE!

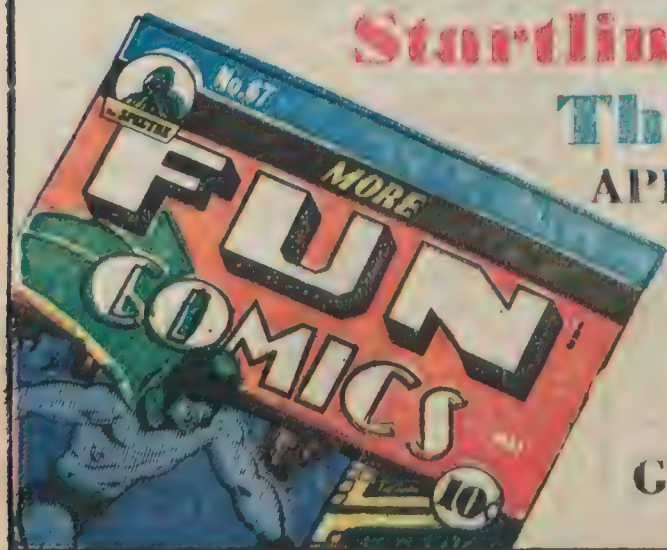
ANOTHER HIGH-POWERED ADVENTURE STRIP  
 WRITTEN BY **JERRY SIEGEL** CREATOR  
 OF RECORD-BREAKING **SUPERMAN!**

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# Dinky

by  
HENRY  
BOLTINOFF

HEY,  
FELLERS !

YOU GO ON AHEAD... MY MOM  
WANTS ME TO STOP AT THE  
HOUSE BEFORE I GO. OKAY?

AW, MOM!  
WHAT'LL THE  
FELLERS SAY ?

IT'S GETTIN' SO A FELLER  
CAN'T DO WHAT HE WANTS  
TO ANY MORE...

....IF I WERE OLD  
ENOUGH, I'D JOIN  
THE ARMY... OR  
THE NAVY...

HERE COMES  
DINKY.  
LOOK...

SAY, DINKY,  
WHO'S THAT  
WITH YOU  
?

IT'S MY MOM'S IDEA !  
SHE'S WORRIED ABOUT  
WHAT I EAT !



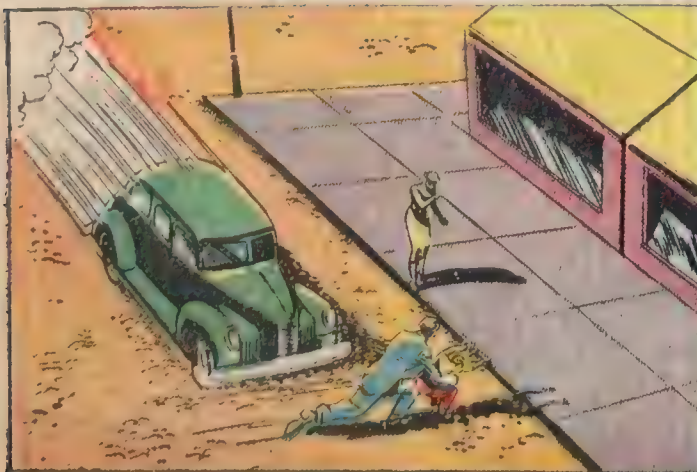
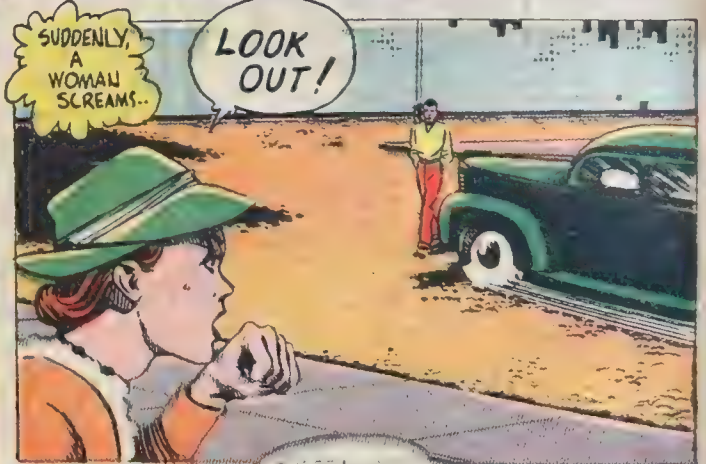
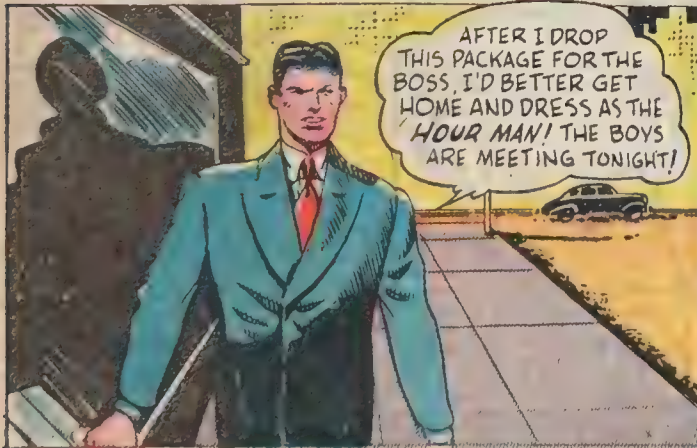


PRESENTING  
"TICK - TOCK TYLER"  
(THE MAN OF THE HOUR)  
AS THE

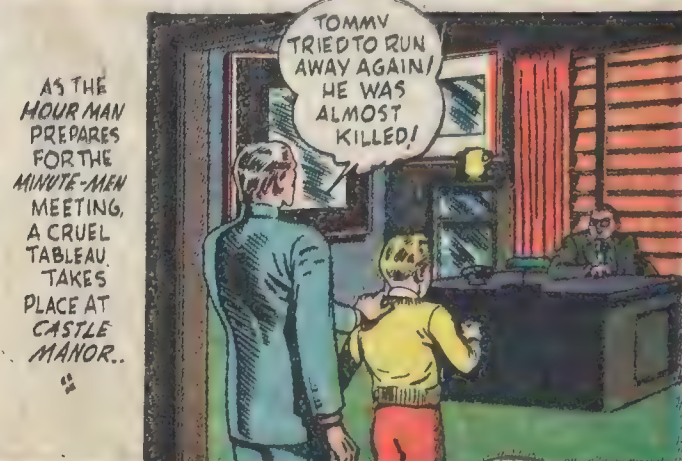
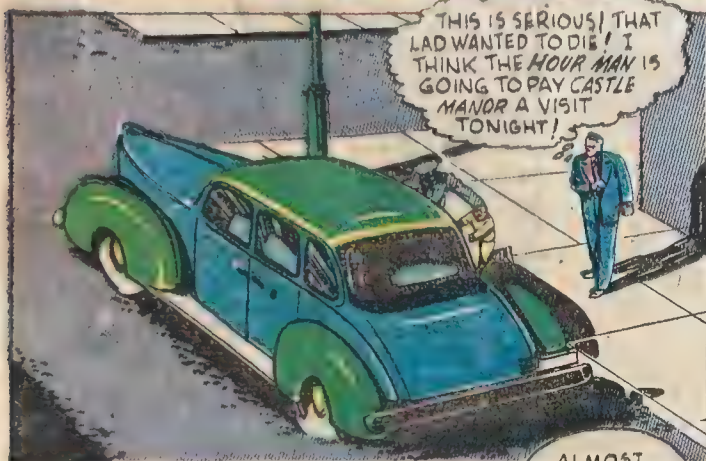
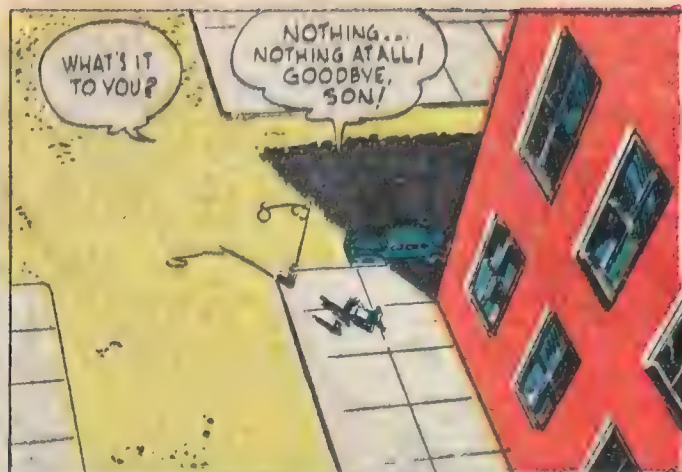
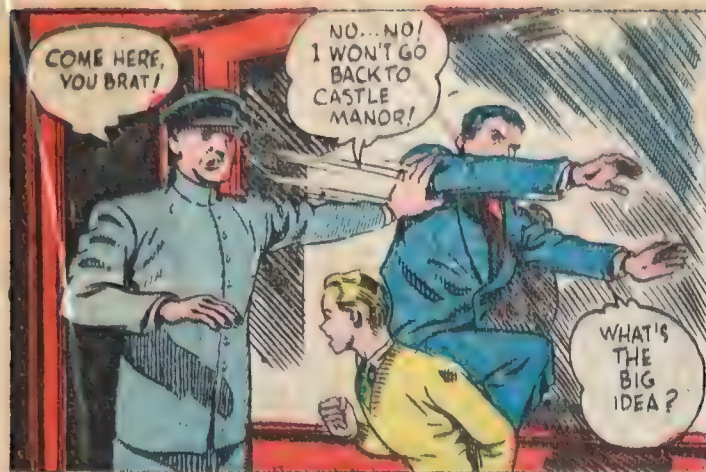
# HOUR MAN

WITH THE  
MINUTE - MEN OF AMERICA

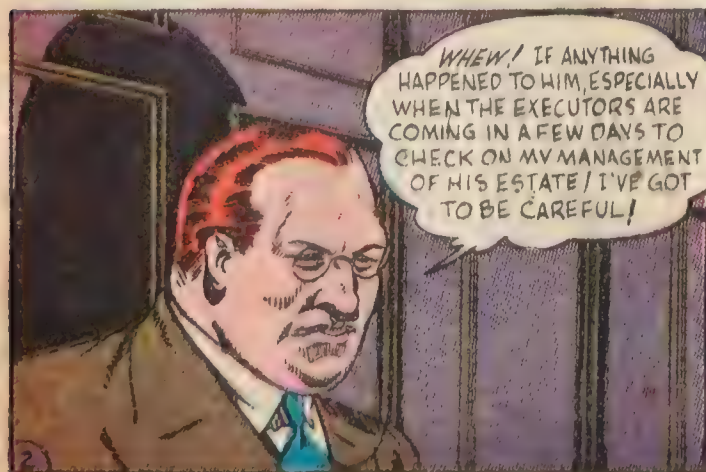
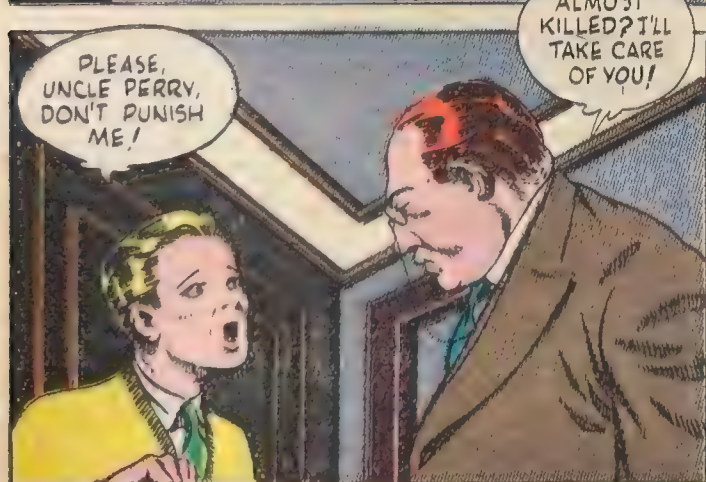
TO THOSE WHO KNOW HIM, REX TYLER IS A MEEK AND MILD CHEMIST... ACTUALLY, HE IS THE FAMED *HOUR MAN* WHO, WITH HIS HELPERS, THE MINUTE-MEN OF AMERICA, HAS BECOME THE SCOURGE OF WRONG-DOERS! AS WE START OUR ADVENTURE, WE FIND REX TYLER MAKING A DELIVERY FOR HIS EMPLOYER....





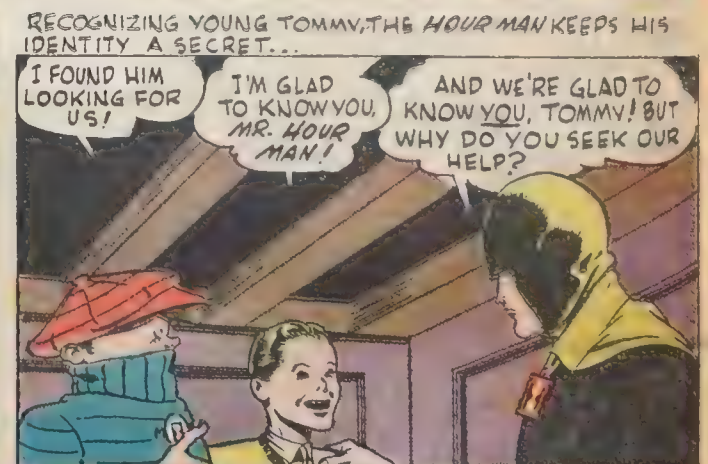
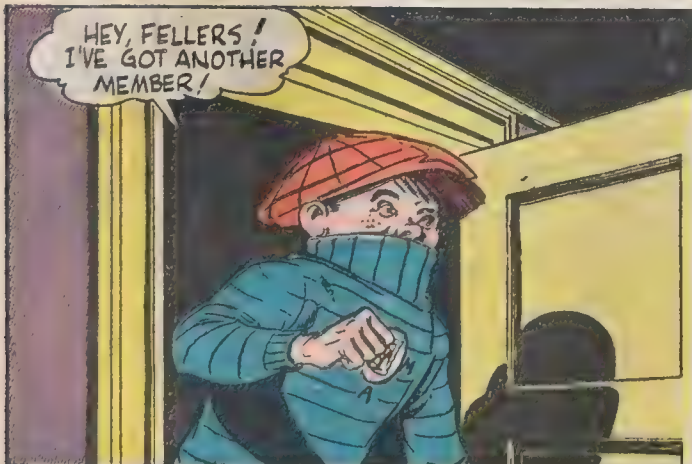
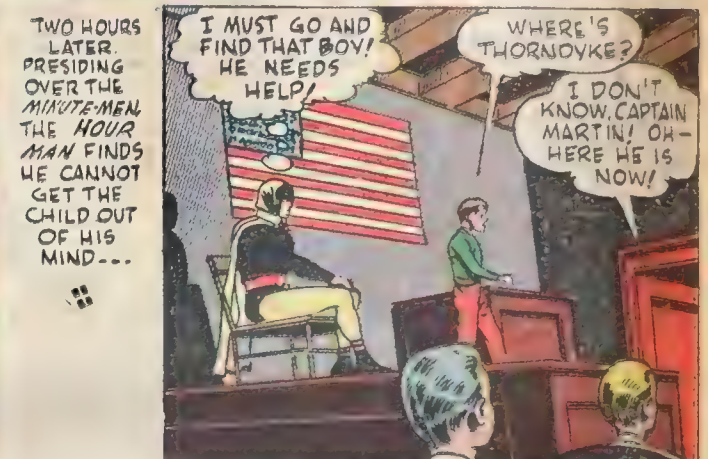
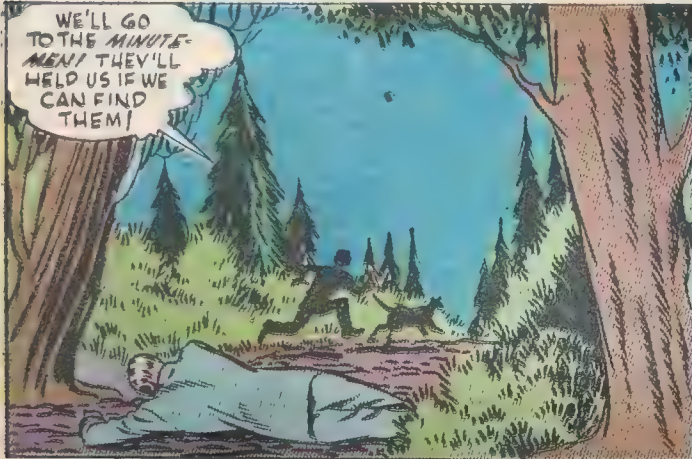


AS THE HOUR MAN PREPARES FOR THE MINUTE-MEN MEETING, A CRUEL TABLEAU TAKES PLACE AT CASTLE MANOR.



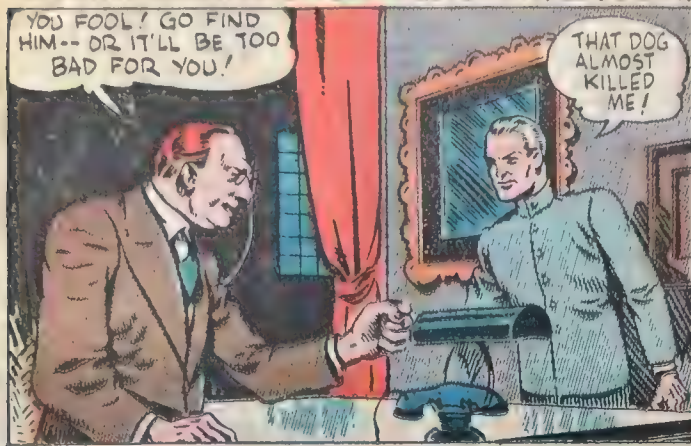


ANGERED, THE POWERFUL DOG SNAPS ITS CHAINS...!

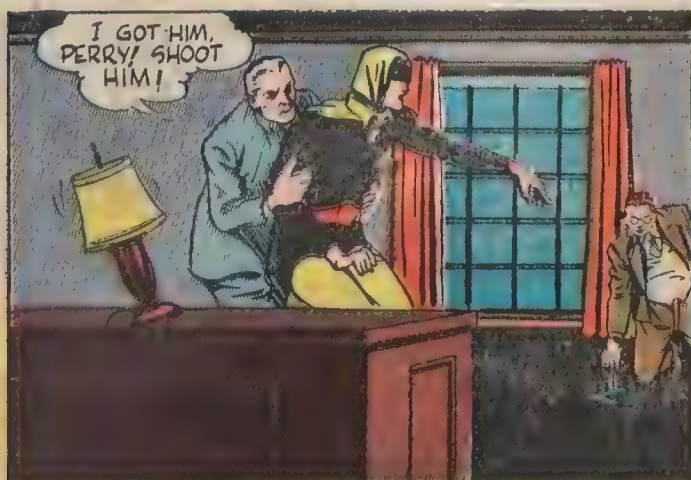
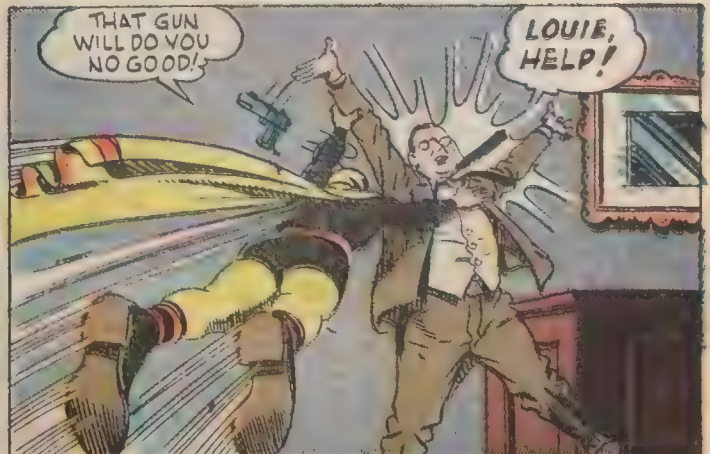
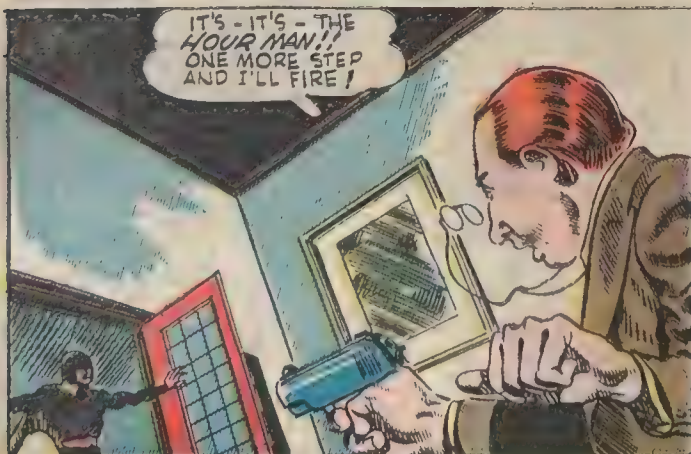
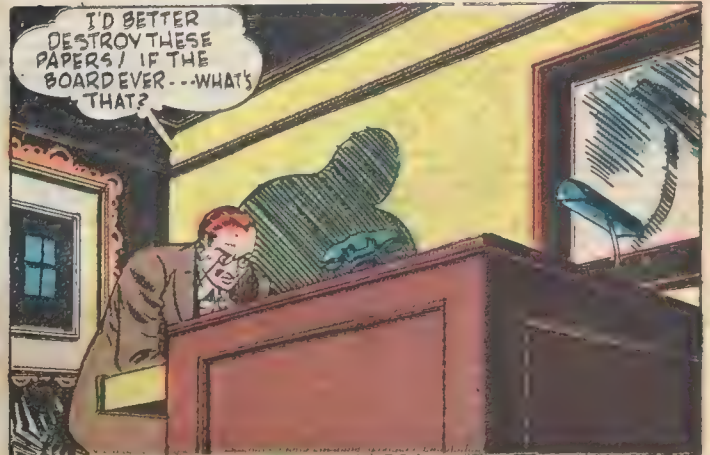
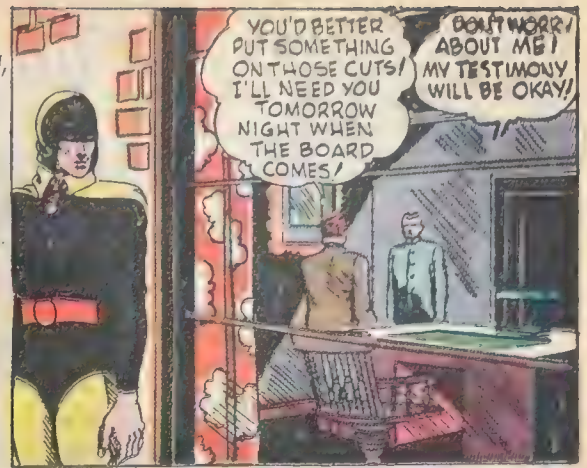




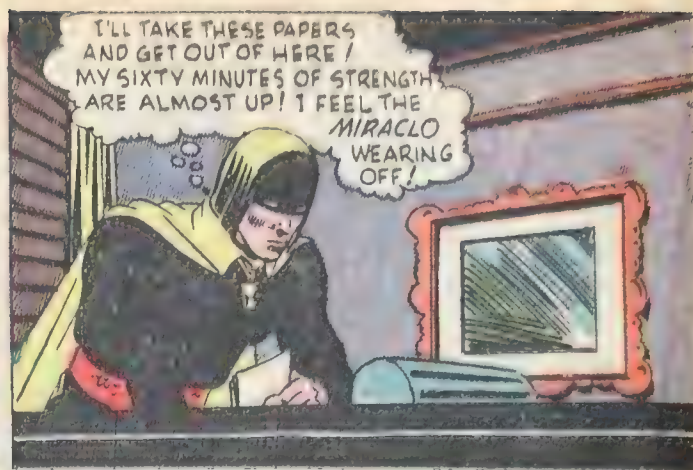
AT CASTLE MANOR, UNCLE PERRY RAGES OVER THE BOYS' ESCAPE.



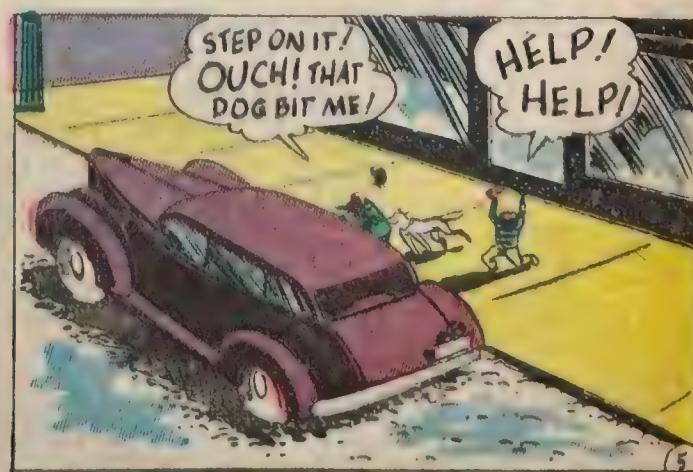
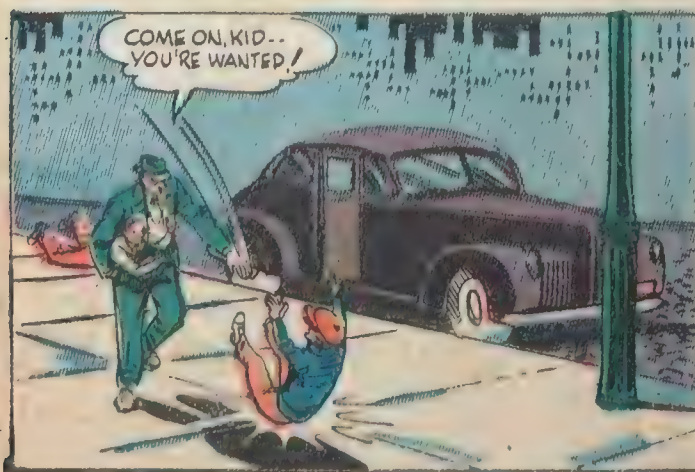
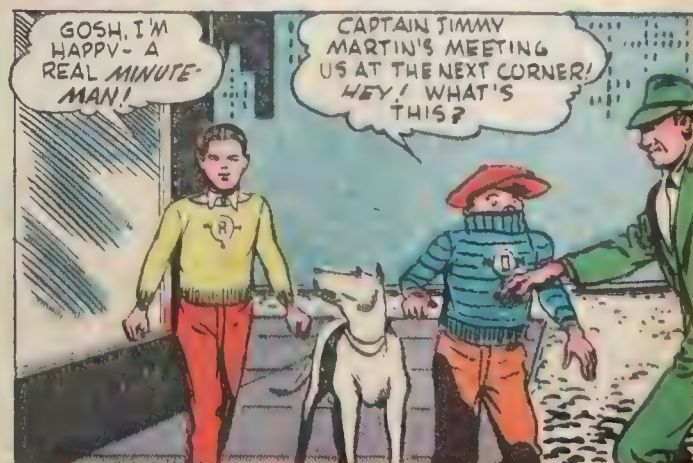
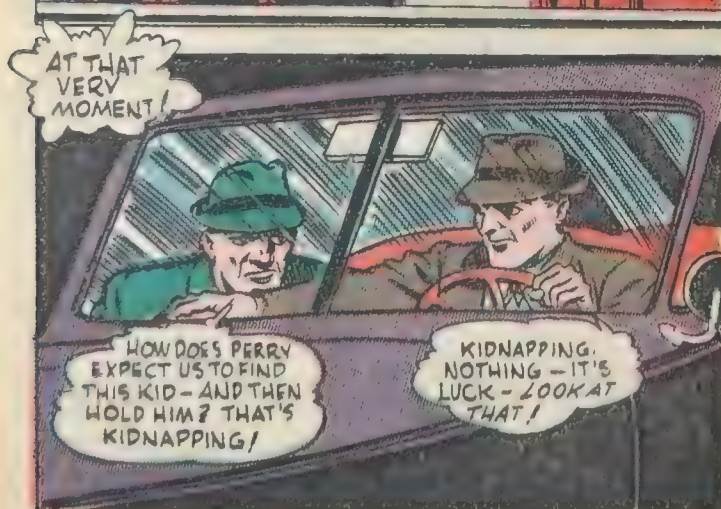
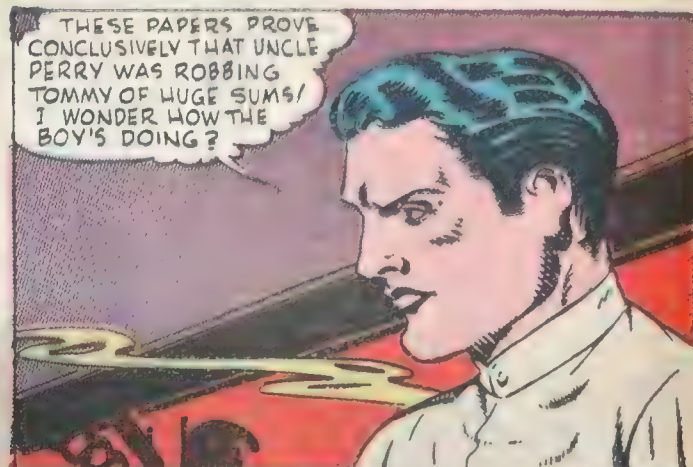
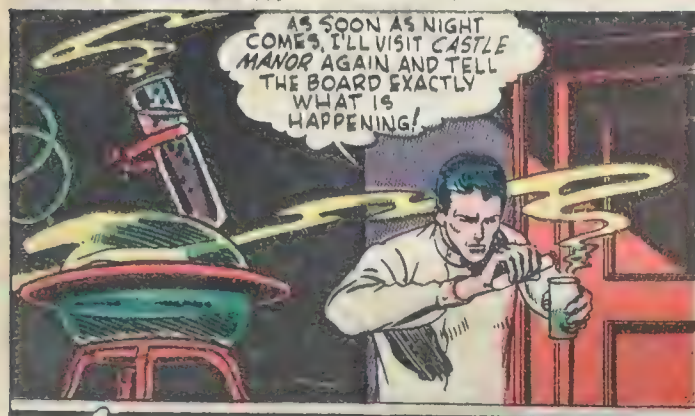
CAUTIOUSLY, THE HOUR MAN HIDES NEAR THE OPEN WINDOWS...



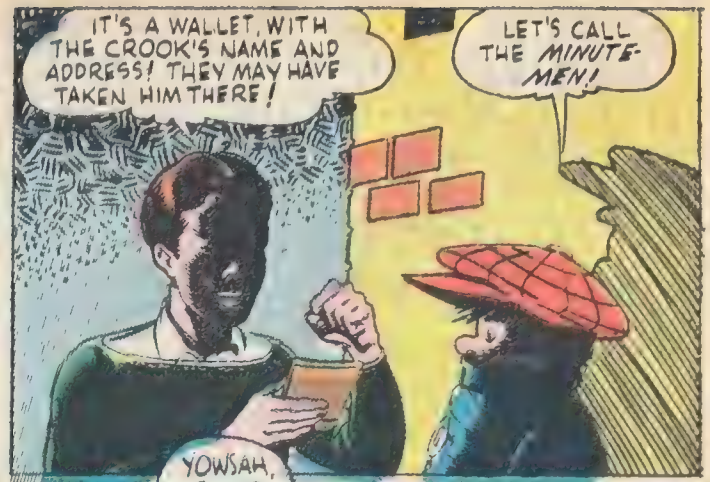
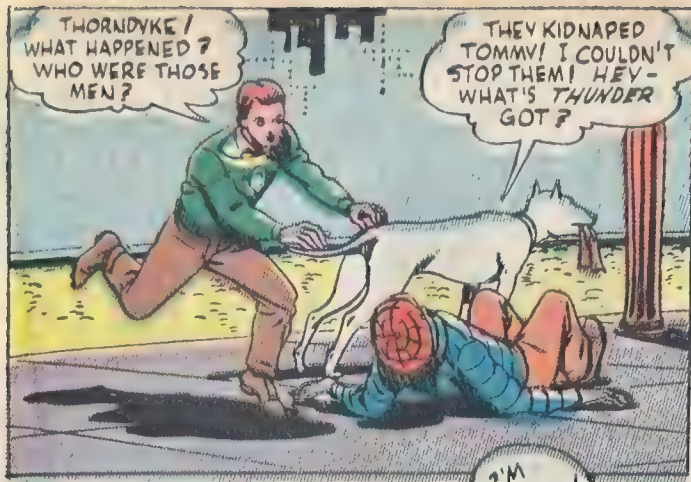




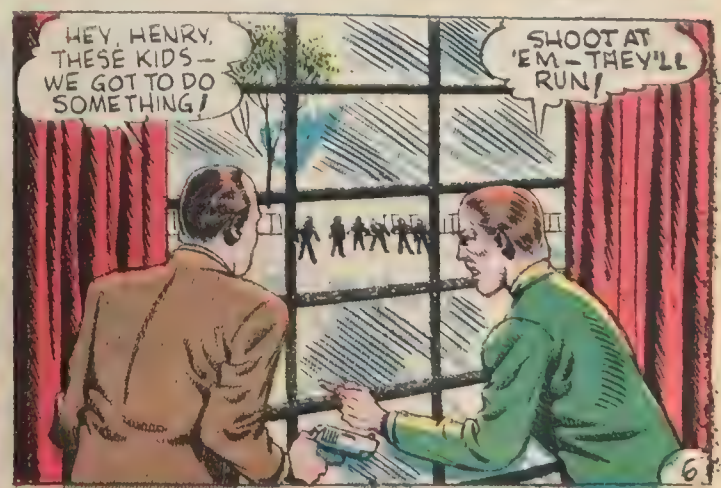
NEXT DAY, REX TYLER AS CHEMIST, THE HOUP MAN IS WORKING IN THE LABORATORY...



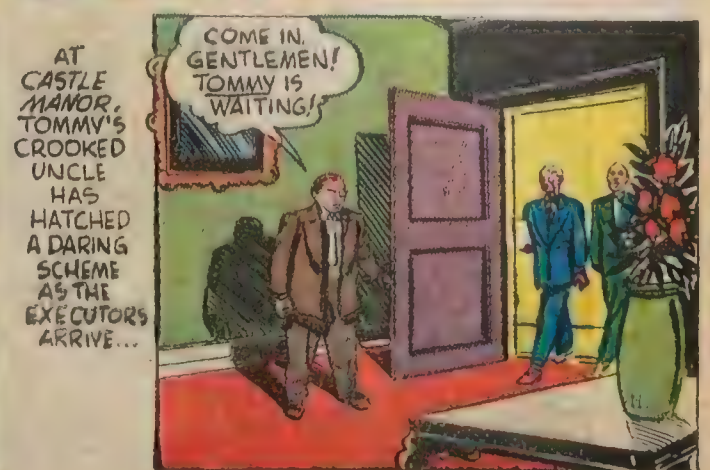
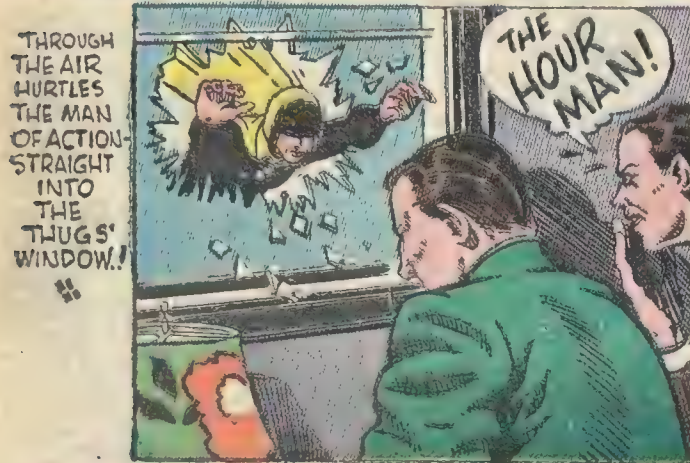
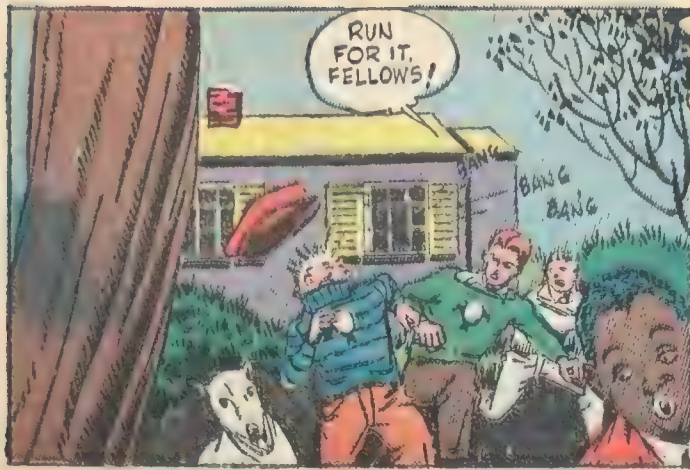




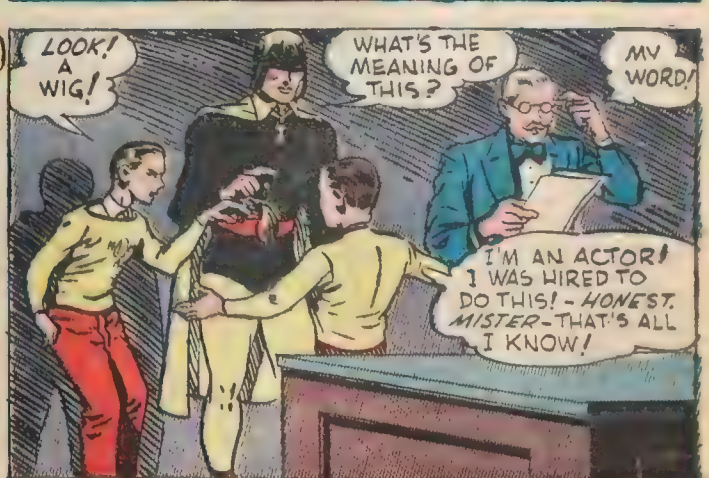
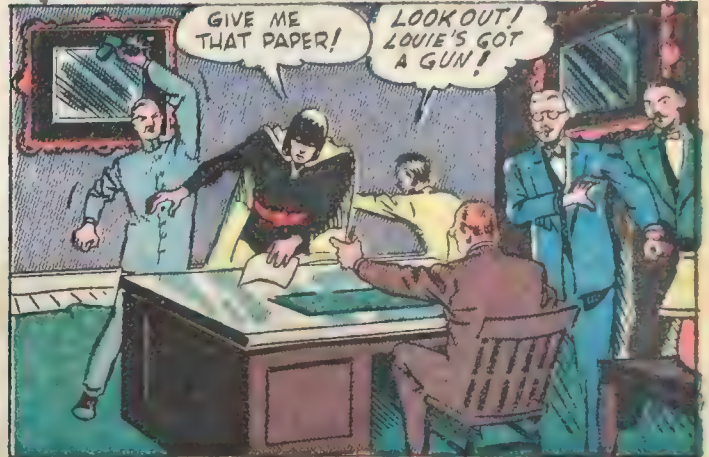
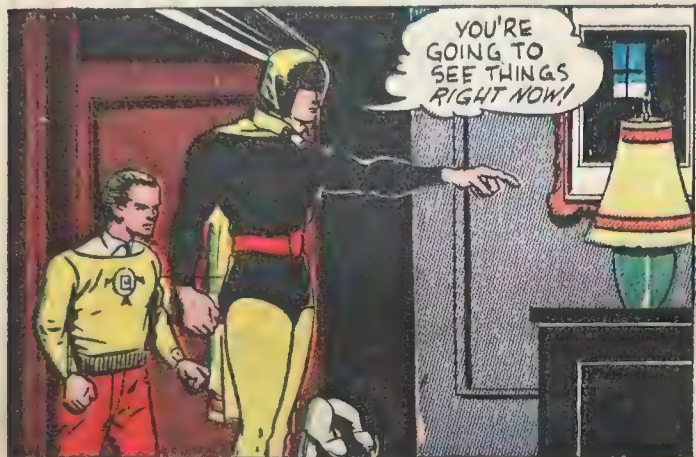
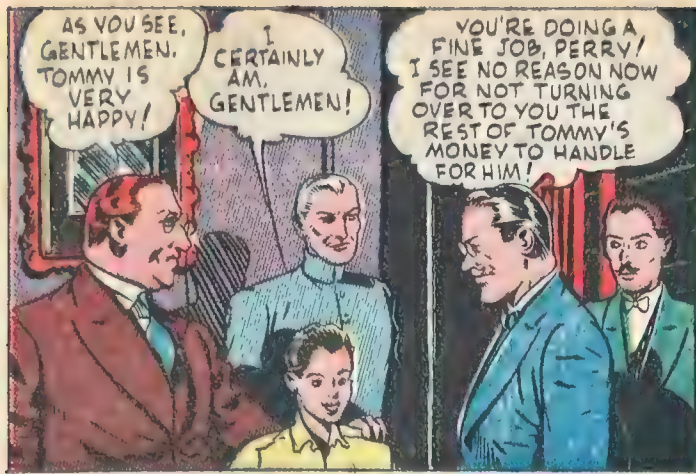
THE HOUR MAN, TOO, RECEIVES THE SIGNAL...











# THE SPECTRE

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# SPORT-TALK

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## A STEEPLECHASE RACE

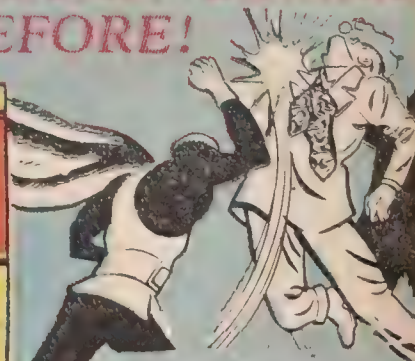
IS SO NAMED BECAUSE IT ORIGINALLY  
WAS RUN BETWEEN TWO PROMINENT  
OBJECTS, USUALLY STEEPLES

THE AVERAGE WEIGHT OF A  
FOOTBALL PLAYER'S CLOTHES  
IS ABOUT **23 1/2 LBS.**

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**DR. MID-NITE?**

YOU'LL FIND  
THE ANSWER  
UNDER  
THIS  
COVER!

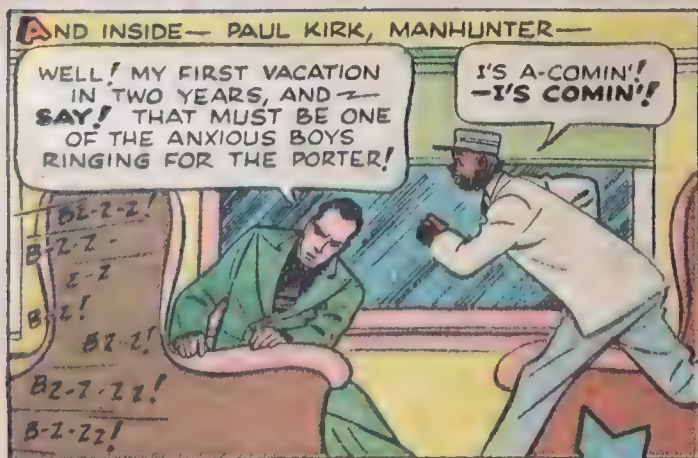
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# PAUL KIRK **MANHUNTER** by ED MOORE



STRAIGHT AND SWIFT AS AN ARROW,  
A TRAIN PLUNGES THROUGH THE  
SOUTH GEORGIA NIGHT—THROUGH  
DESOLATE, FLAT COUNTRY—  
THROUGH NEVER-ENDING FORESTS OF  
SCRUBBY, SECOND-GROWTH PINE—



AND INSIDE— PAUL KIRK, MANHUNTER—

WELL! MY FIRST VACATION  
IN TWO YEARS, AND—  
**SAY!** THAT MUST BE ONE  
OF THE ANXIOUS BOYS  
RINGING FOR THE PORTER!

IT'S A-COMIN'!  
—IT'S COMIN'!



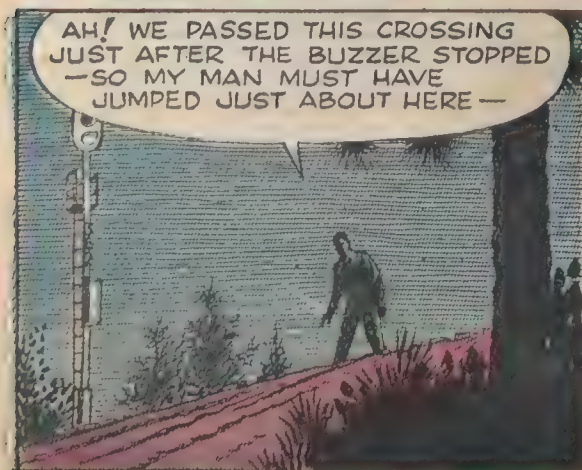
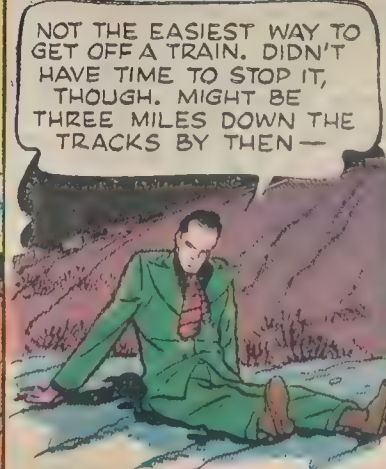
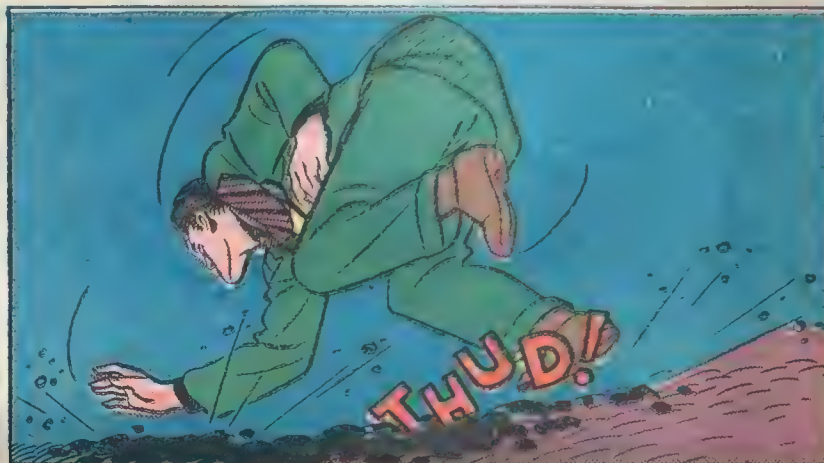
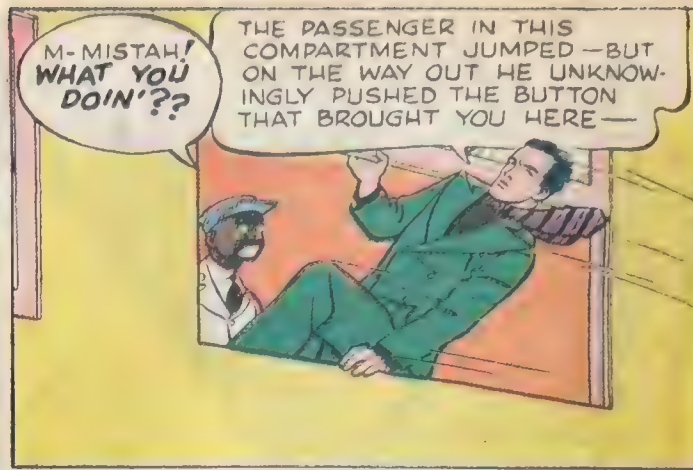
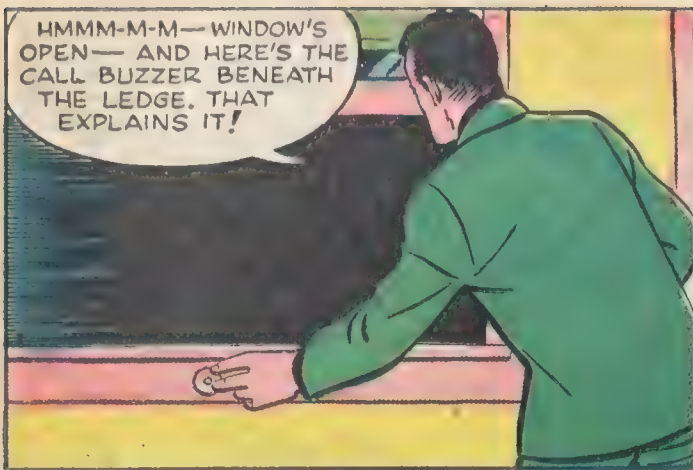
WHAT'S  
WRONG,  
PORTER?

SOMEBODY WUZ JES'  
RINGIN' TH' BELL  
FUM IN HEAH—AN'  
THEY AIN'T NOBODY  
IN HEAH NOW!!

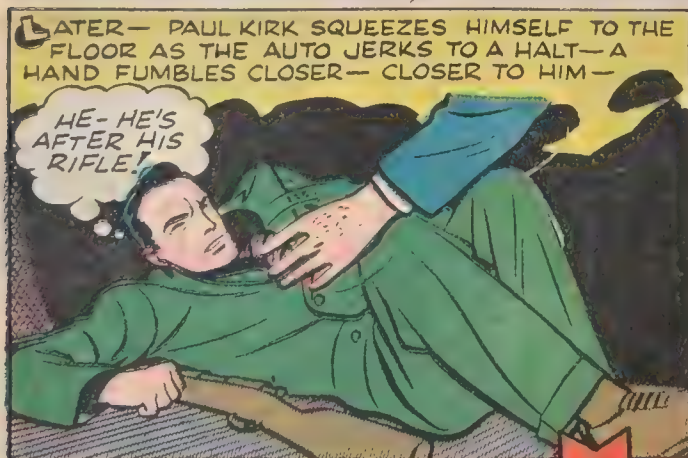
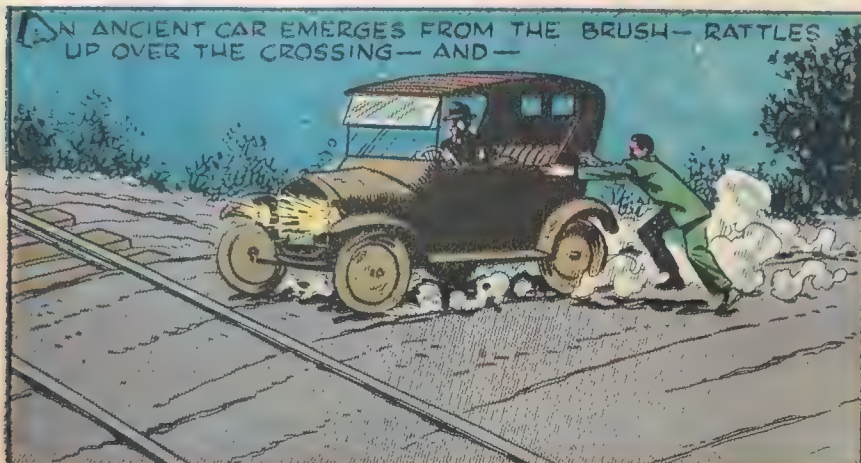
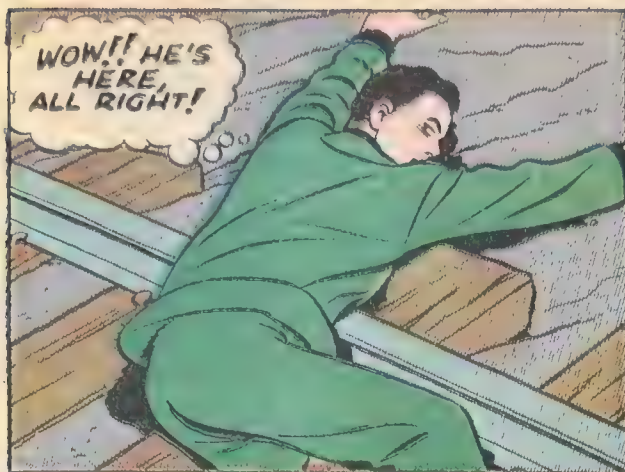


F'GOO'NESS  
SAKE!!

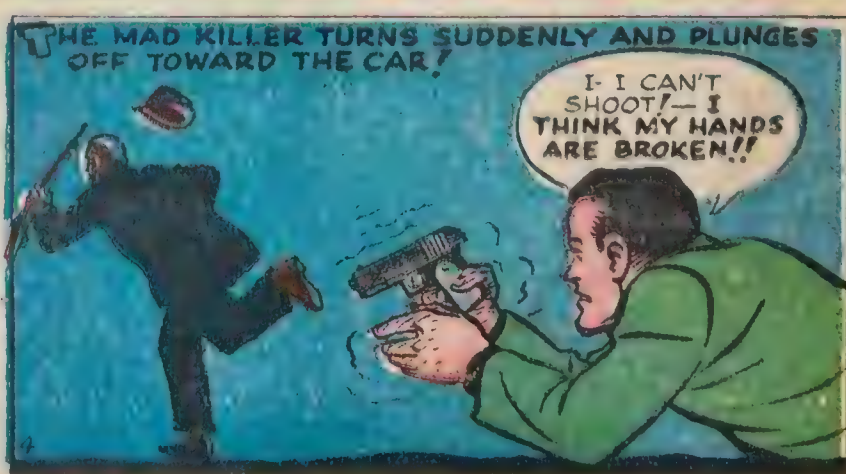
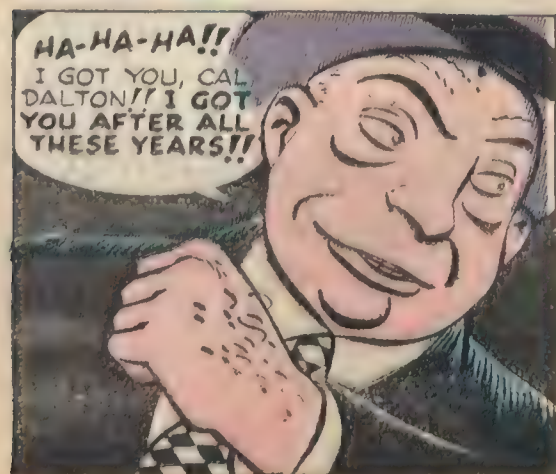
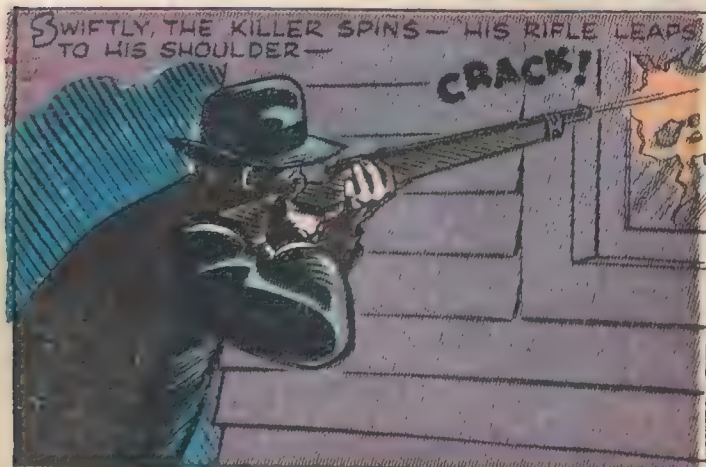
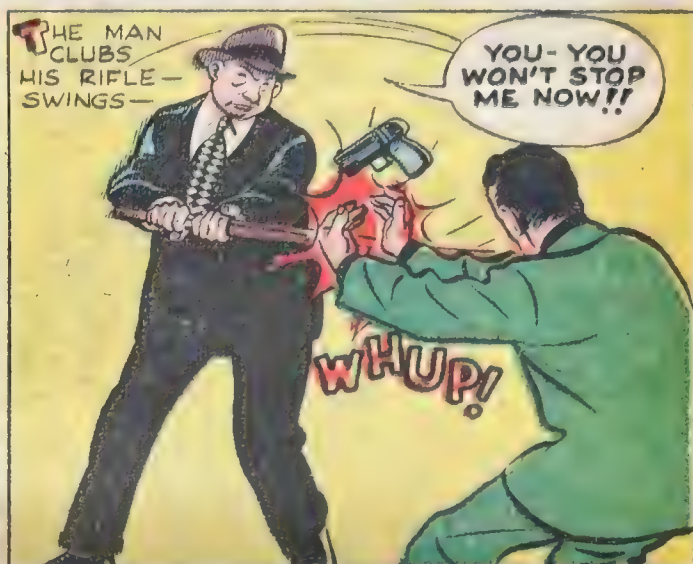
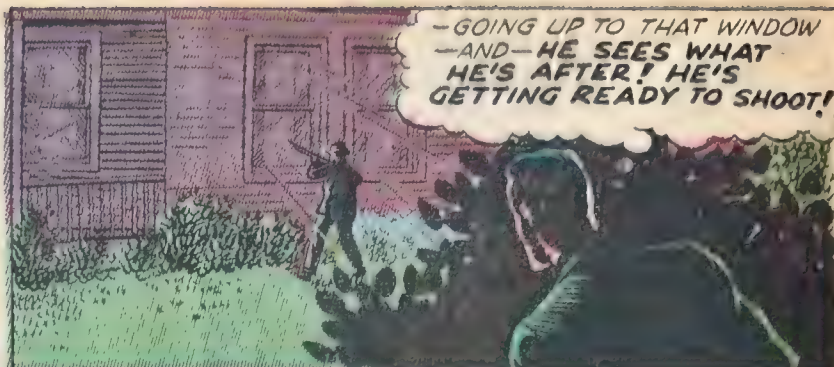
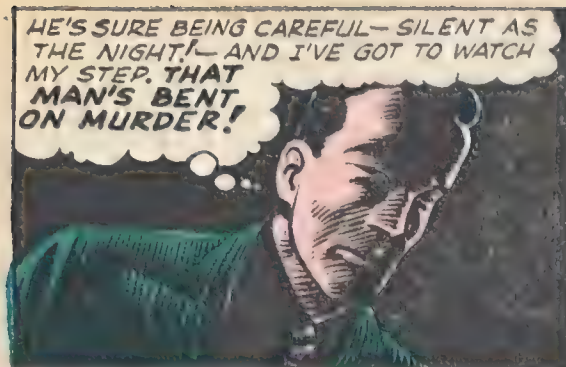




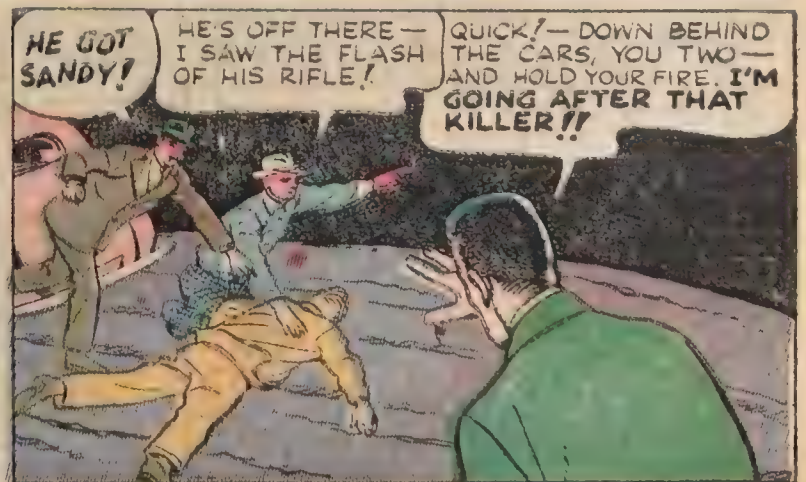
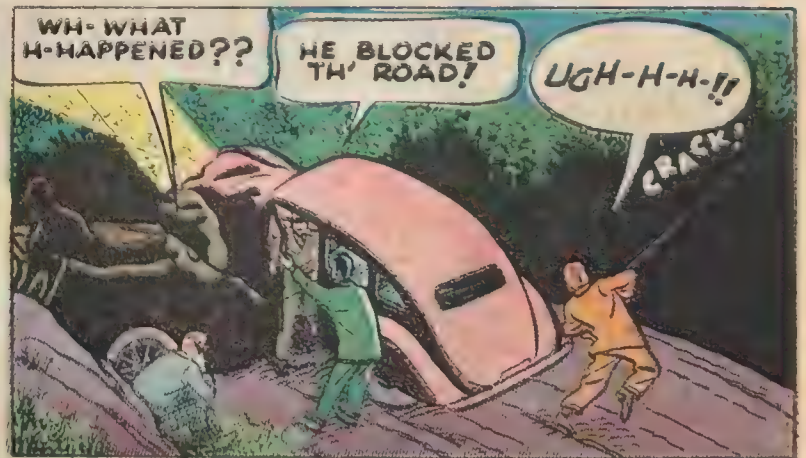
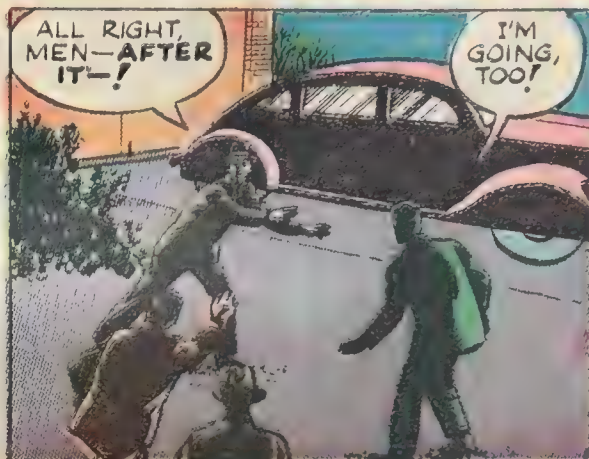
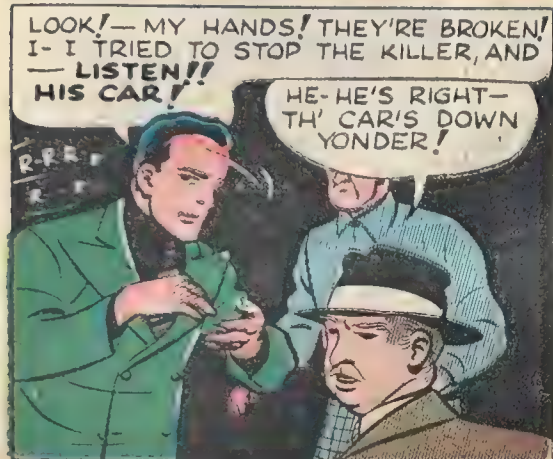






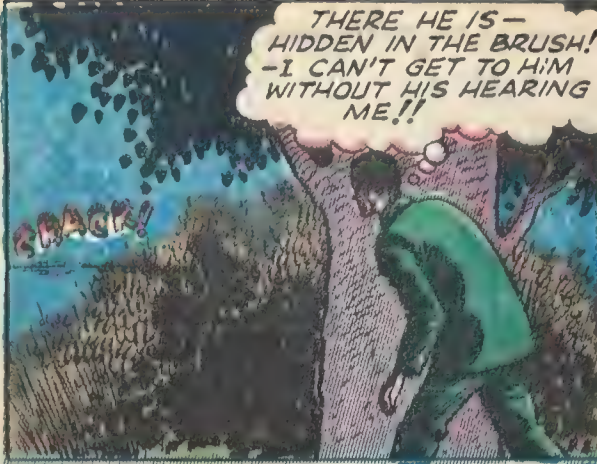








AH—THEY'RE KEEPING  
THE TRAIN-JUMPER  
OCCUPIED—AND I CAN  
FIND HIM BY HIS  
GUN FLASHES—



THERE HE IS—  
HIDDEN IN THE BRUSH!  
—I CAN'T GET TO HIM  
WITHOUT HIS HEARING  
ME!!

PAUL PICKS UP A ROTTING  
PALMETTO LOG, TOSSES IT,  
WITH WEAKENED HANDS, INTO  
THE BUSHES ON THE OTHER  
SIDE OF THE KILLER—



AR-RR-RH!!

THUD!

THE MAN SPINS—FIRES—!



YOU WRECKED  
MY HANDS—SO  
I'LL USE MY  
FEET!!

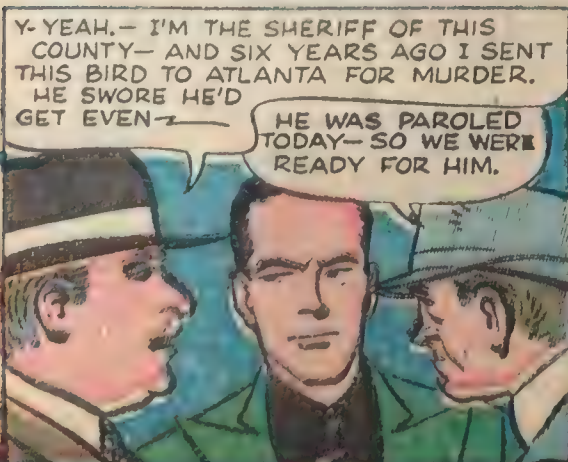


COME ON, BOYS!!  
I GOT HIM!



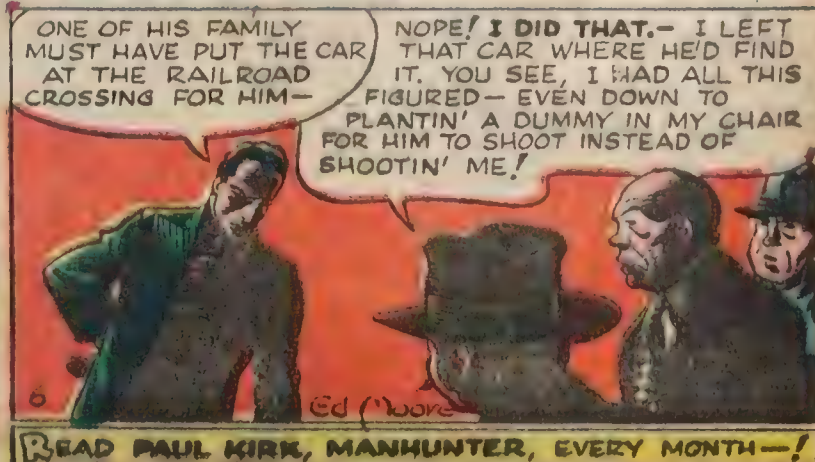
SHORTY  
SPINNETT!!

YOU  
KNOW  
HIM?



Y-YEAH.— I'M THE SHERIFF OF THIS  
COUNTY— AND SIX YEARS AGO I SENT  
THIS BIRD TO ATLANTA FOR MURDER.  
HE SWORE HE'D  
GET EVEN—

HE WAS PAROLED  
TODAY— SO WE WERE  
READY FOR HIM.



ONE OF HIS FAMILY  
MUST HAVE PUT THE CAR  
AT THE RAILROAD  
CROSSING FOR HIM—

NOPE! I DID THAT.— I LEFT  
THAT CAR WHERE HE'D FIND  
IT. YOU SEE, I HAD ALL THIS  
FIGURED— EVEN DOWN TO  
PLANTIN' A DUMMY IN MY CHAIR  
FOR HIM TO SHOOT INSTEAD OF  
SHOOTIN' ME!

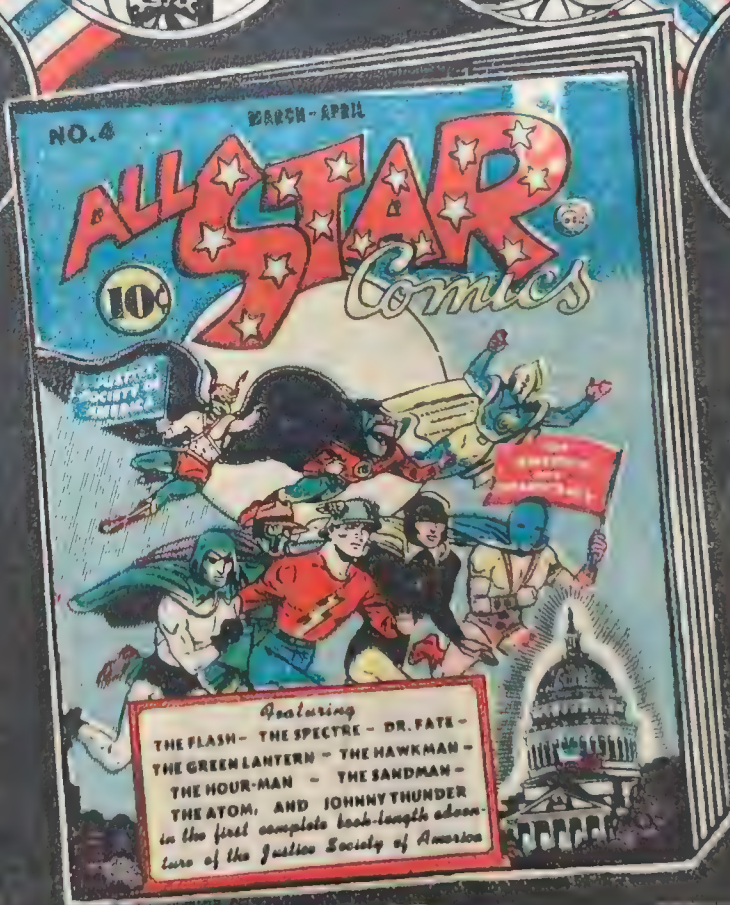
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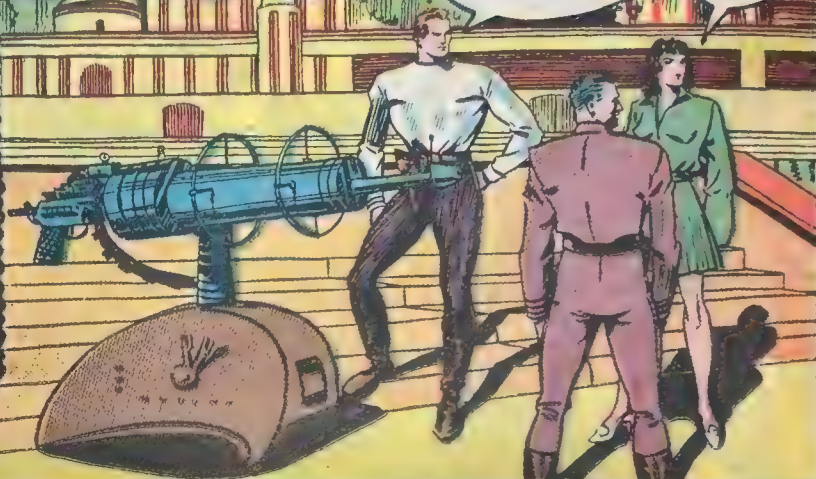


# COTTON CARVER

ORKO, SON OF SARNOL, RULER OF SARTHON, KIDNAPS DEELA. COTTON SETS OUT, AND AIDED BY NARDAK RESCUES DEELA AND KILLS ORKO—AND THEN, SEEKING REFUGE IN AN OLD ABANDONED CITY OF DEELA'S ANCESTORS, THEY FIND AN ANCIENT WEAPON, THE VERY DANGEROUS RING MACHINE!

WITH THIS MACHINE, WE CAN RESIST SARTHON'S AIR MIGHT—WE CAN DECLARE WAR ON HER!

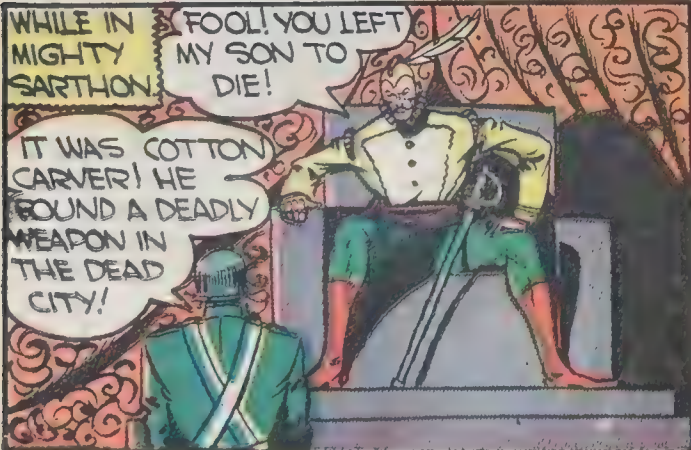
YOU AND I—AND NARDAK AGAINST A WHOLE NATION!



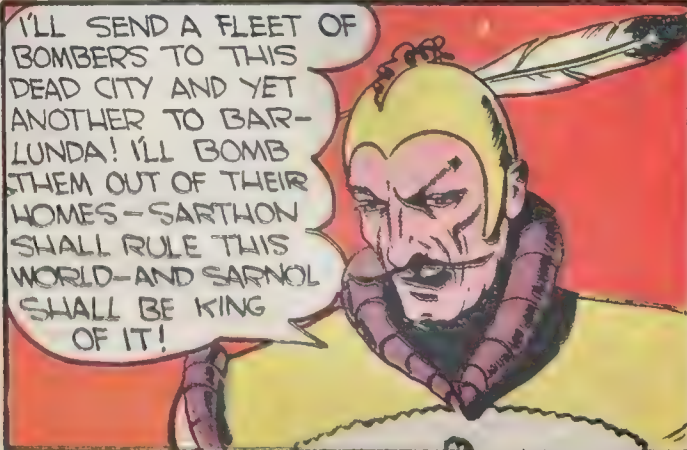
WHILE IN MIGHTY SARTHON!

FOOL! YOU LEFT MY SON TO DIE!

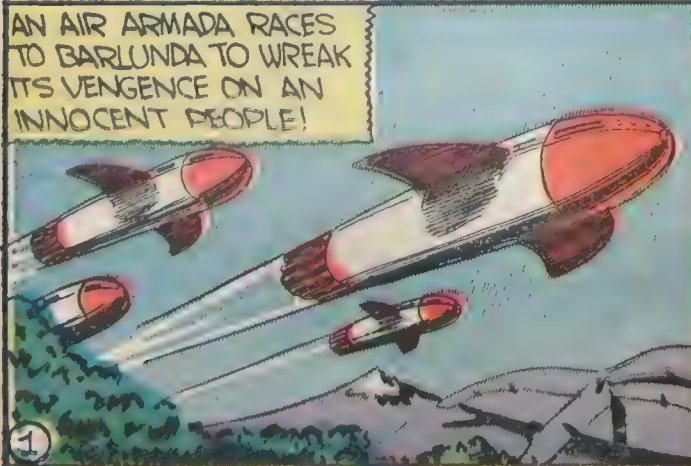
IT WAS COTTON CARVER! HE FOUND A DEADLY WEAPON IN THE DEAD CITY!



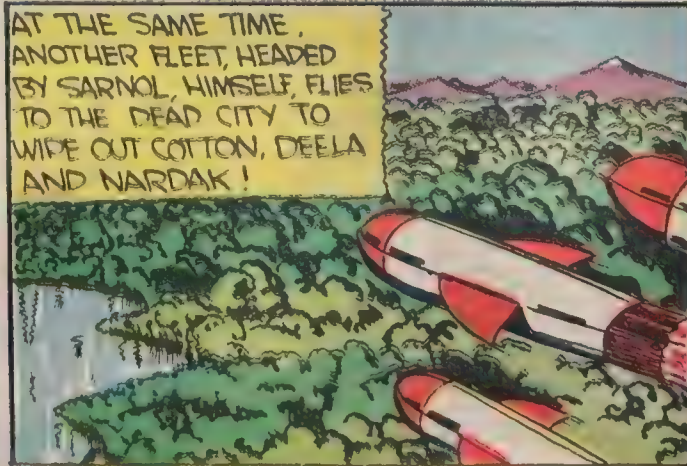
I'LL SEND A FLEET OF BOMBERS TO THIS DEAD CITY AND YET ANOTHER TO BARLUNDA! I'LL BOMB THEM OUT OF THEIR HOMES—SARTHON SHALL RULE THIS WORLD—AND SARNOL SHALL BE KING OF IT!



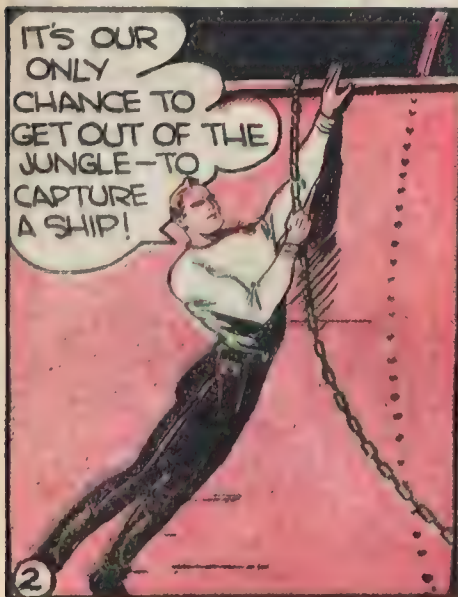
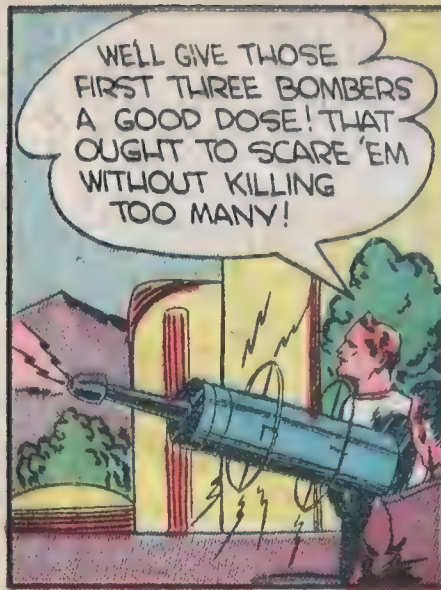
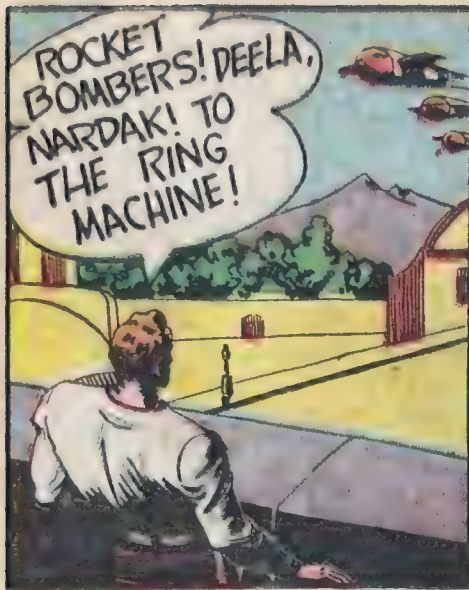
AN AIR ARMADA RACES TO BARLUNDA TO WREAK ITS VENGEANCE ON AN INNOCENT PEOPLE!



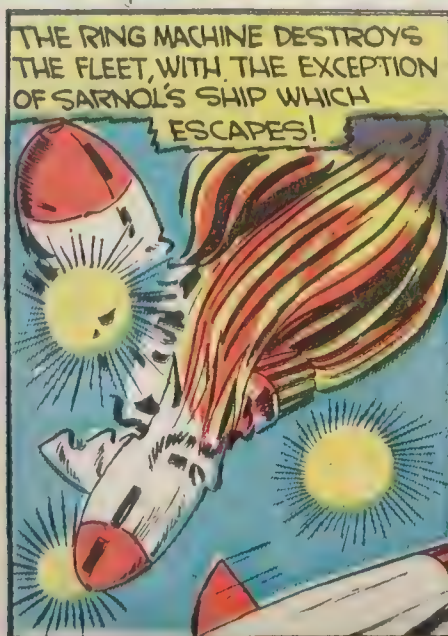
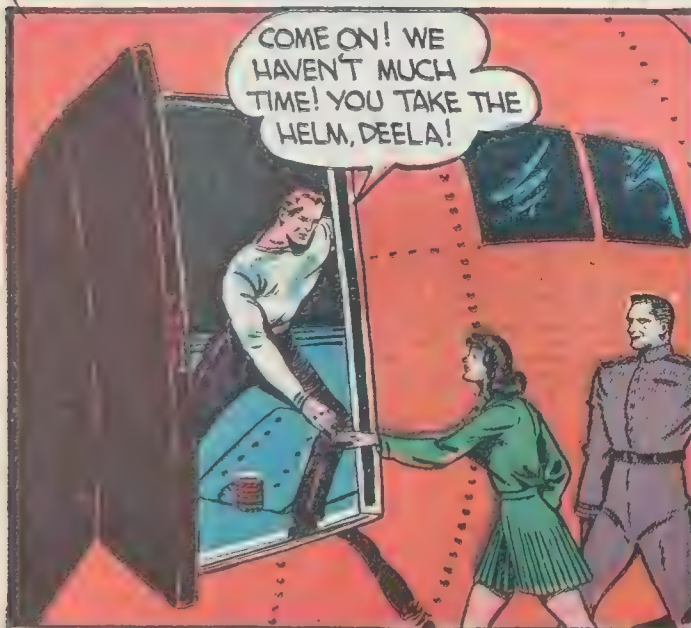
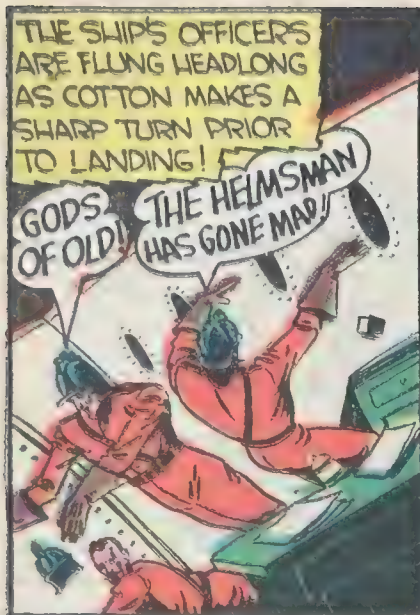
AT THE SAME TIME, ANOTHER FLEET, HEADED BY SARNOL, HIMSELF, FLIES TO THE DEAD CITY TO Wipe OUT COTTON, DEELA AND NARDAK!





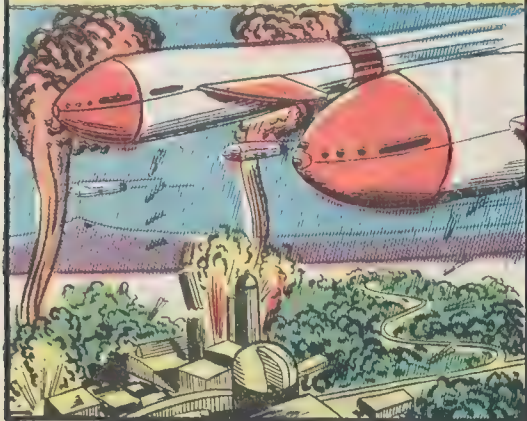








BUT NAIRDAK SPEAKS TOO SOON,  
FOR THE MAJOR FLEET OF SARTHON  
IS ALREADY LAYING WASTE TO  
BARLUNDA.



AT MARL'S PALACE, UNAWARE  
THAT ORKO IS DEAD—

SARNOL MUST  
BE MAD! MAD!  
WHY IS HE  
BOMBING US?



LOOK! SARTHON'S SHIPS  
RAIDING BARLUNDA! WE'D  
BETTER DO  
SOMETHING  
ABOUT THAT!



DONT WORRY!  
WE'LL SHOW THEM  
A TRICK OR  
TWO! READY, DEELA?

READY,  
COTTON!



LIKE A FLAMING  
SWORD, COTTON'S  
SHIP BLASTS THE  
FLEET OF SARTHON  
OUT OF THE SKY!

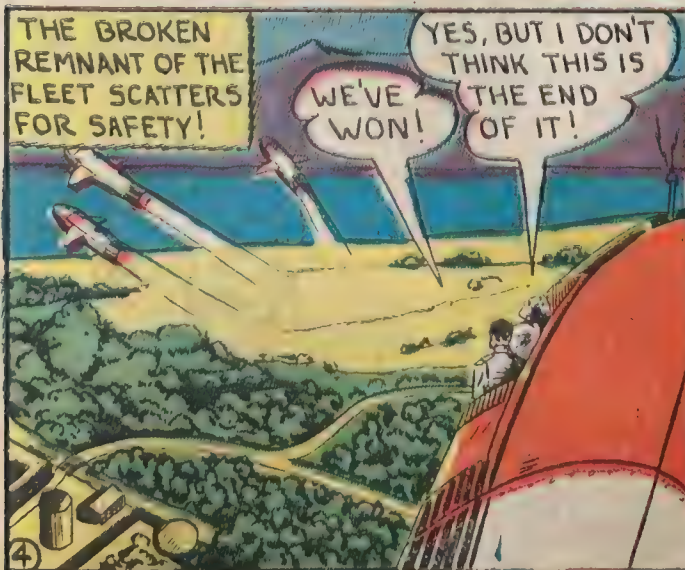
BULLS-EYE!  
TWO OF  
'EM AT  
ONCE!



THE BROKEN  
REMNANT OF THE  
FLEET SCATTERS  
FOR SAFETY!

WE'VE  
WON!

YES, BUT I DON'T  
THINK THIS IS  
THE END  
OF IT!

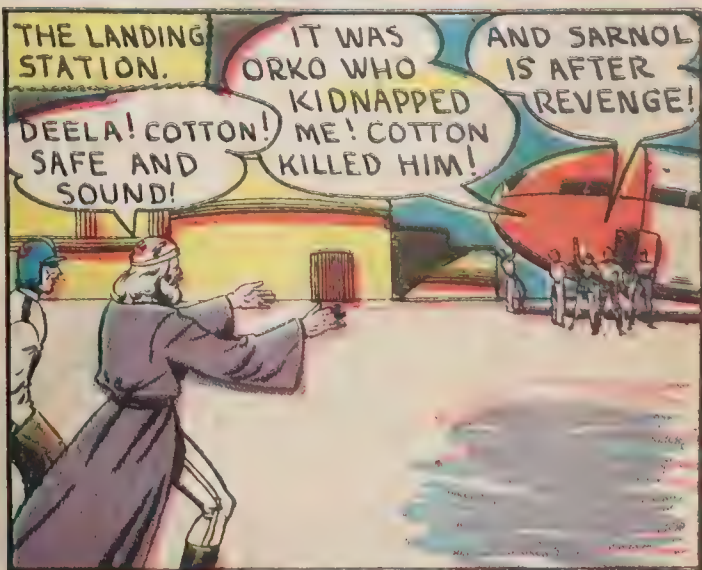


THE LANDING  
STATION.

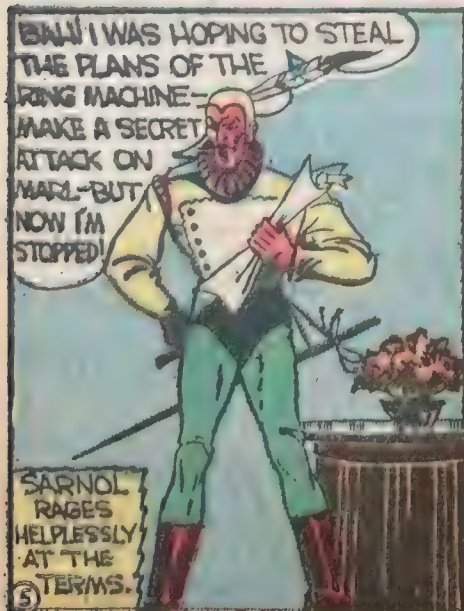
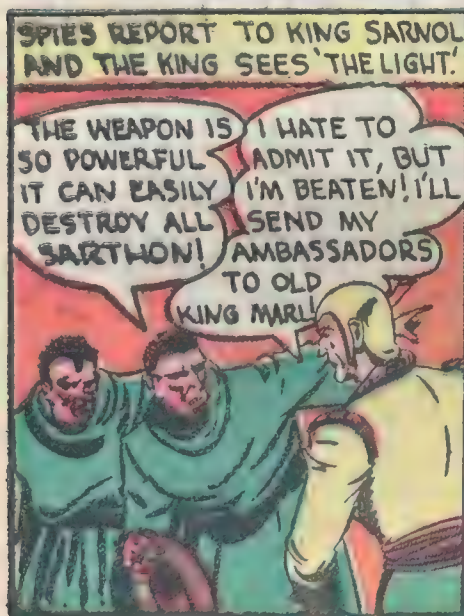
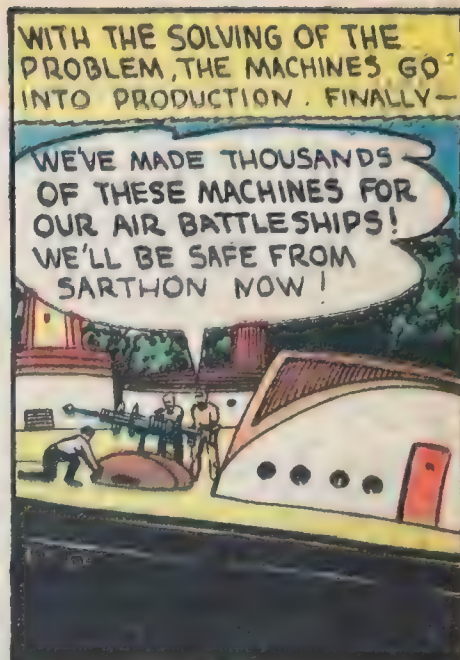
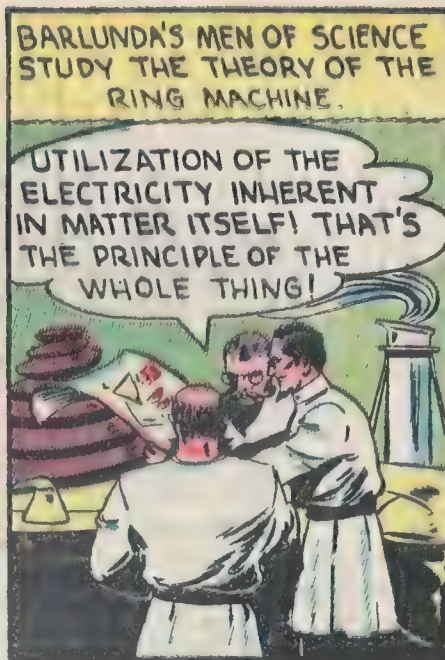
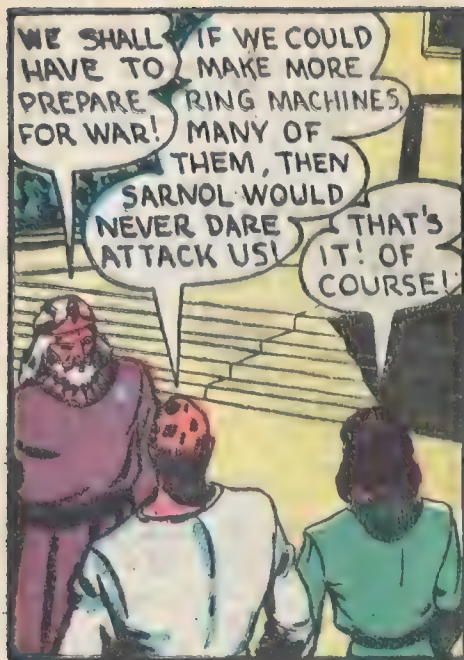
DEELA! COTTON!  
SAFE AND  
SOUND!

IT WAS  
ORKO WHO  
KIDNAPPED  
ME! COTTON  
KILLED HIM!

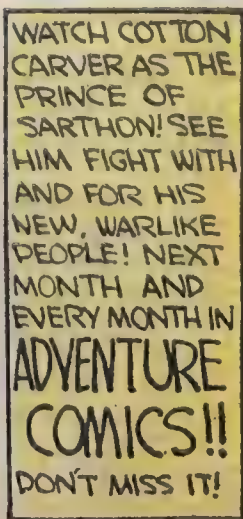
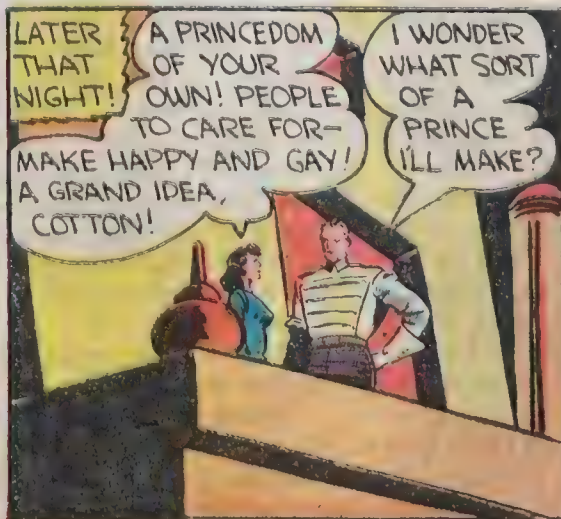
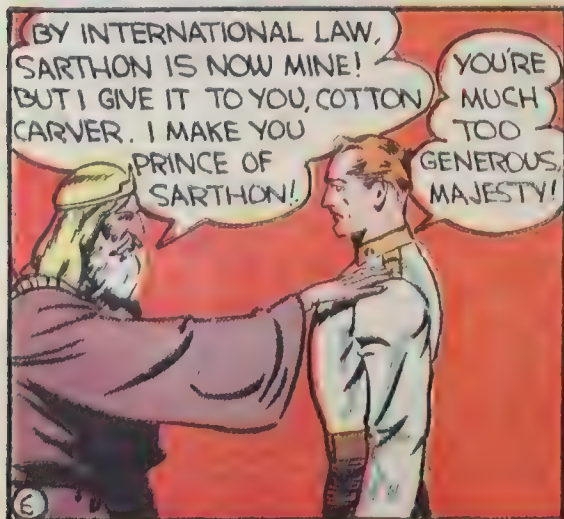
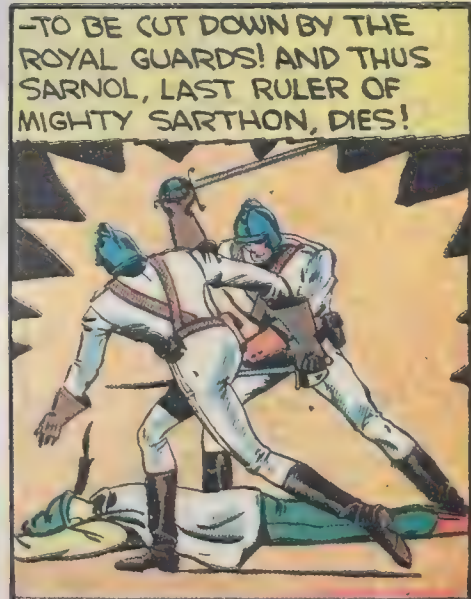
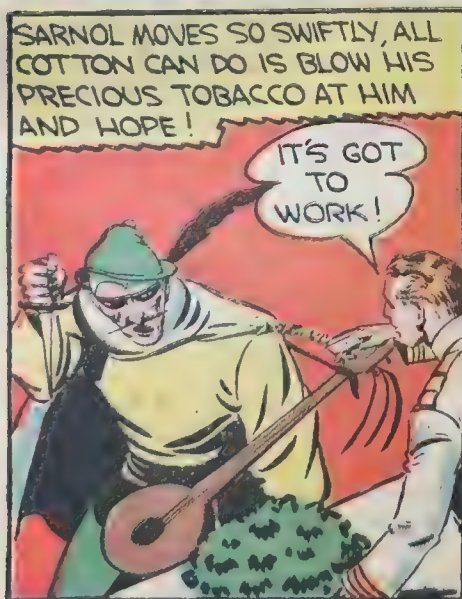
AND SARNOL  
IS AFTER  
REVENGE!













# REMOTE CONTROL

by STEPHEN YOUNG



**G**ET that ruckus out of here! The command reverberated through the quiet space of the Palace Diner as William Jones, Senior, proprietor and counterman, stumbled over the extended leg of his son.

Willie looked up, startled. His father continued:

"I told you if you got to play with that electrical stuff of yours to keep it out of the diner. Now git!"

A hurt look came into the boy's face, but he gathered the armful of equipment and started towards the kitchen. Usually, his mother, cook and bottle washer, would rush to his aid. But jovial Mother Jones, at the moment, was out shopping for groceries, this being a slack time after dinner.

"And, furthermore—" Jones, Senior, began. How much longer the tirade might have continued never would be known. A customer entered and seated himself at the counter, darting sharp eyes at Willie, going through the kitchen door.

Jones smiled: "What'll it be?" His face fell as his eyes saw the revolver in the stranger's hand, heard him say: "This is a stick-up pardner. Don't move. You, either—I!" His gun menaced Willie, who stood open-mouthed in the kitchen doorway.

Swiftly, the stranger walked to the kitchen. "Where's this door lead?"

"N—No—no place," Jones, Senior, quavered.

The stranger pushed Willie in roughly, snapped the lock. "That'll hold the brat," he said.

"And now while I sit here, you just dig out the cash register dough. If anyone comes in, don't crack, unless you want a bullet in the back."

There was no denying the stranger's sincerity. Hastily, Jones, Senior, scooped out the day's receipts, on his lips a prayer that mother wouldn't walk in. He was no coward, Willie's father, but a man didn't fight a gun trained on him.

The stranger reached out for the money, gun still on Jones. "Fine," he said. "Just—"

He stopped. Loud and clear came the command. "Drop that gun or I'll drill you!"

Jones blinked. The stranger turned. A voice cried, "Sock him, Pop!"

The stranger started to turn. Too late. The heavy sugar bowl





looking at the unconscious captive. "I heard a voice—"

Jones paused. "Like it was your voice, Willie," he said, slowly. "Hey, what are you grinning at?" He walked behind the counter in response to Willie's summons and stared at a small horn and another small gadget a couple of feet above it.

"That's what you heard, Pop." Willie said. "It was what I was working on when you chased me out. It's a two-way speaker and microphone connecting with the kitchen. I yelled into it and scared the crook."

Jones looked at his clever son, wiped a perspiring brow. It was a small miracle all right. But the small miracle, he knew, was his Willie.

in Jones' hand descended on the gunman's head. A moan escaped cruel lips as he sank to the floor.

Jones vaulted the counter and scooped up the revolver which had fallen from the thief's hand. On the kitchen door an incessant tattoo reminded him that Willie was still a captive.

He opened the door. Willie stared at the prostrate gunman, watched as Jones deftly did up the desperado with rope. That finished, Jones breathed a sigh of relief. "It was a miracle, Willie, a small miracle," he said,

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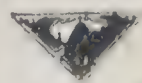
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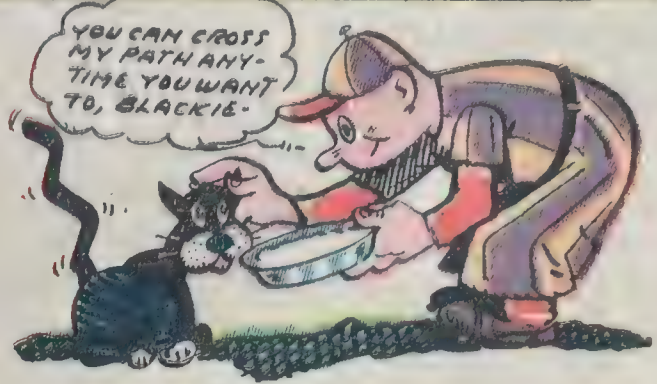
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# QUEER NOT QUIRKS

ROCHESTER, N.Y. - **FRIDAY THE 13** WAS A LUCKY DAY FOR THE ROCHESTER RED WINGS. THE TEAM SCORED **13** RUNS ON **13** HITS FOR A **13-0** WIN OVER BUFFALO TO CLINCH THE INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP FOR 1940. —



MINNEAPOLIS - A BASKETBALL PLAYER PLAYED FOUR CITY LEAGUE GAMES IN A ROW BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 2 AND 10 P.M. —

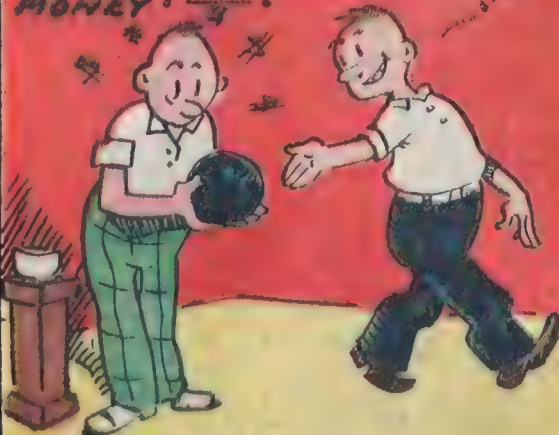
SORRY, BUDDY - WE'VE GOT TO CLOSE THE GYM FOR THE DAY -

GOSH - I'M JUST GETTING WARMED UP -



DETROIT - A BOWLER PARTICIPATING IN THE AMERICAN BOWLING CONGRESS LENT HIS BALL TO A RIVAL PLAYER. THE LATTER ROLLED TO 4 TO GRAB A SHARE OF THE MONEY. —

THANKS FOR THE LOAN OF THE BALL, OLD MAN.



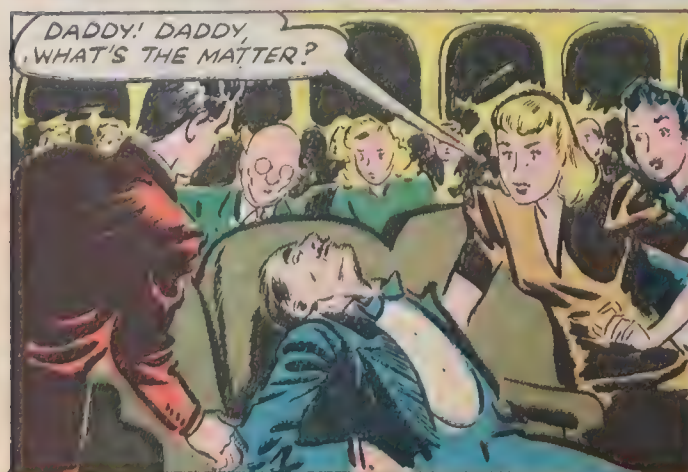
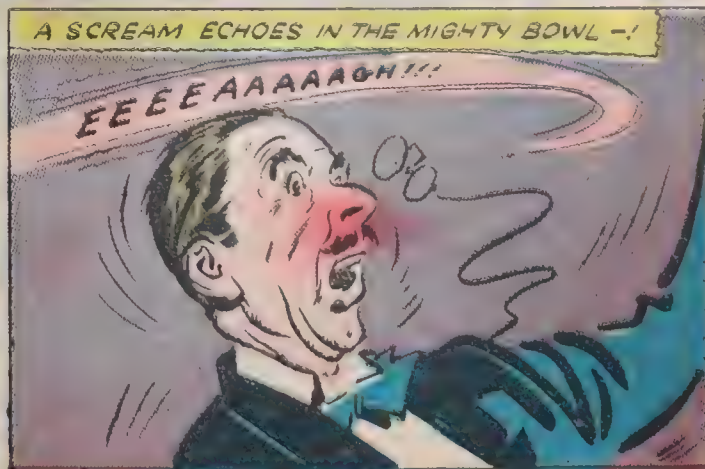
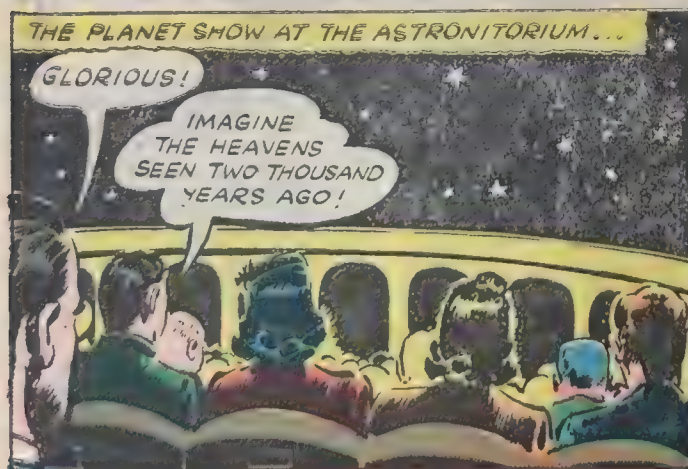
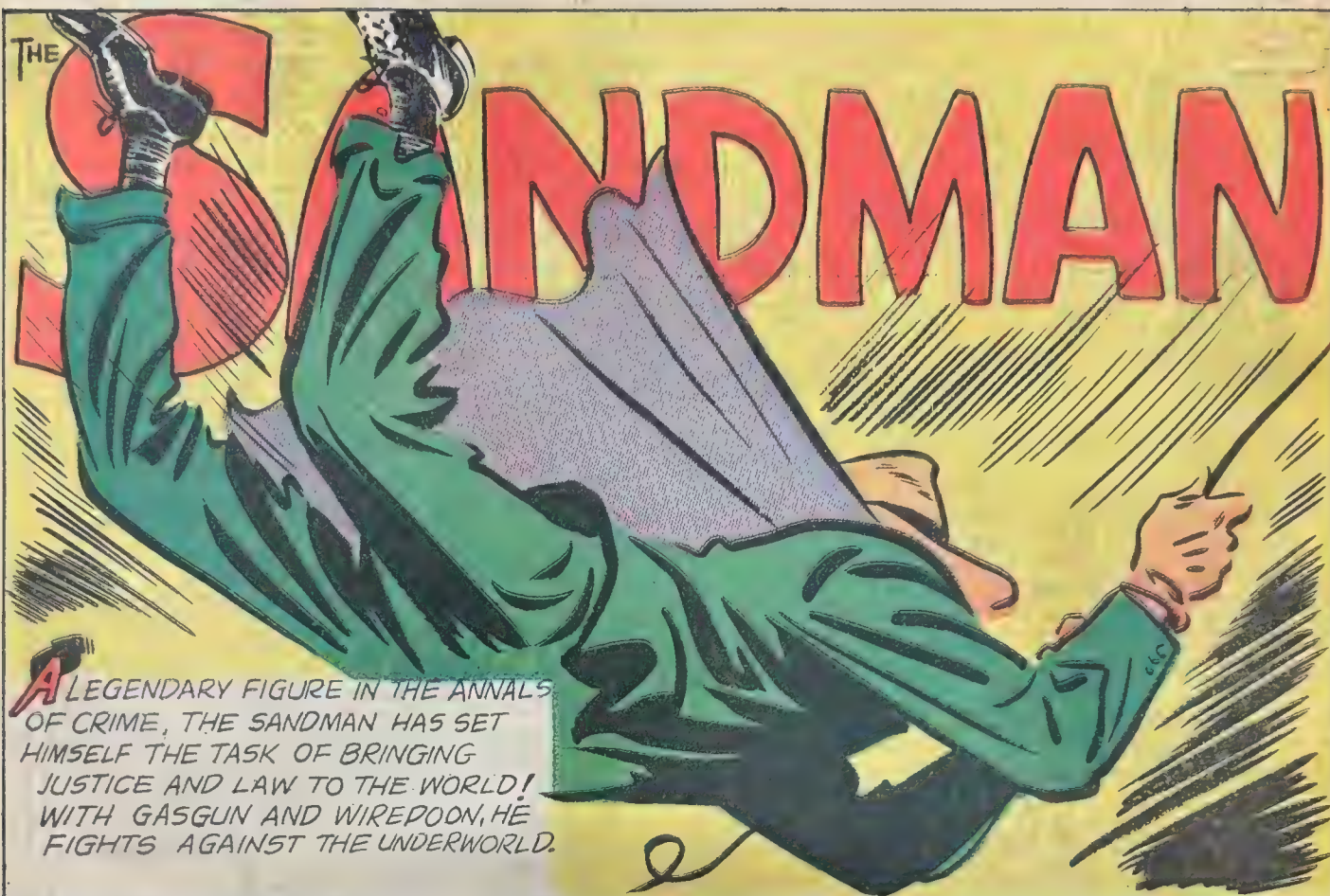
BEWES, DEL. - WHEN THE STARTER OF A YACHT RACE FIRED THE SIGNAL GUN, HE SHOT DOWN A DUCK BY ACCIDENT -

OMAHA - PICKING HORSES WHOSE NAMES SOUNDED "TOO CUTE TO MISS," A GIRL WON \$4,429 IN ONE DAY. —

WHAT'S A GOOD CUTE HORSE FOR THE DAY - BOOKIE?









OUTSIDE THE ASTRONITORIUM, THEY MEET  
WESLEY DODDS, WEALTHY YOUNG SOCIALITE...

HELLO! SORRY TO BE LATE.  
WHAT'S THE TROUBLE?

JANE'S FATHER DEAD!  
SEE WHAT YOU CAN DO,  
WILL YOU, WE'S?

I'LL MEET YOU AT YOUR HOUSE  
LATER. I'VE GOT TO TAKE  
HER HOME!

I'LL SEE WHAT  
I CAN LEARN!

STRANGE SYMPTOMS. SKIN TURNED PURPLISH,  
MOUTH OPEN, EYES BULGING! I CAN'T SAY  
IF IT WAS POISON EXCEPT BY AUTOPSY!

THERE'S SOME MYSTERY ATTACHED  
TO HIS DEATH, THEN! THANK YOU.

THAT'S MY DISH - MYSTERY! I'LL SEE  
WHAT DIAN HAS TO SAY ABOUT IT-

AT THE DODDS MANSION...

AFTER DINING, WE WENT RIGHT  
TO THE ASTRONITORIUM. WE WERE  
THERE OVER AN HOUR BEFORE  
HE DIED!

AND NOT  
BY POISON,  
AS YOU  
IMAGINE!

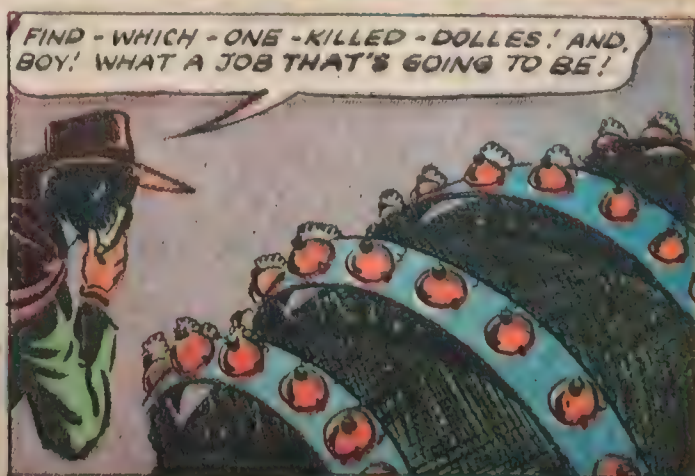
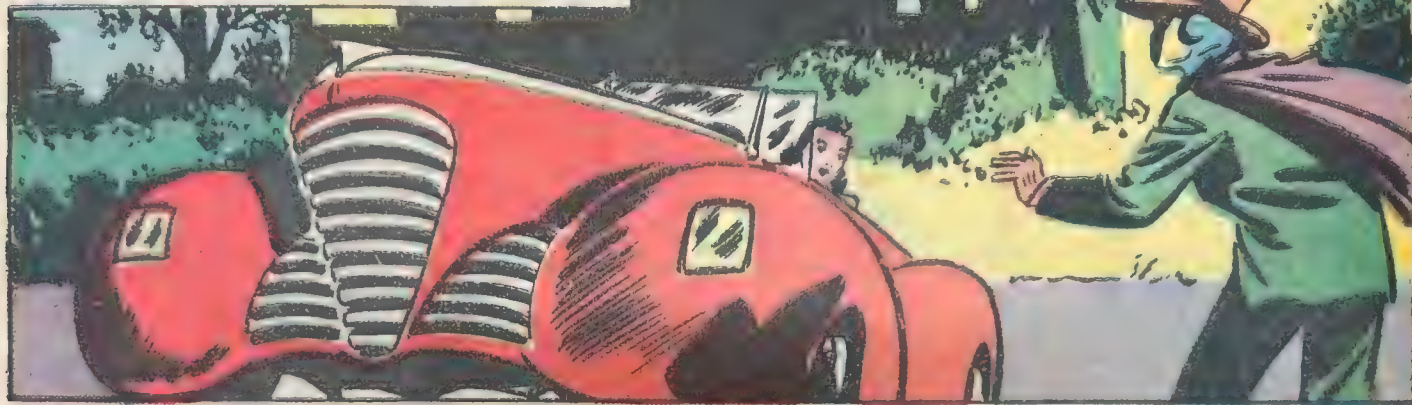
IT WAS BY A DEATH-RAY!

WHA-AT?

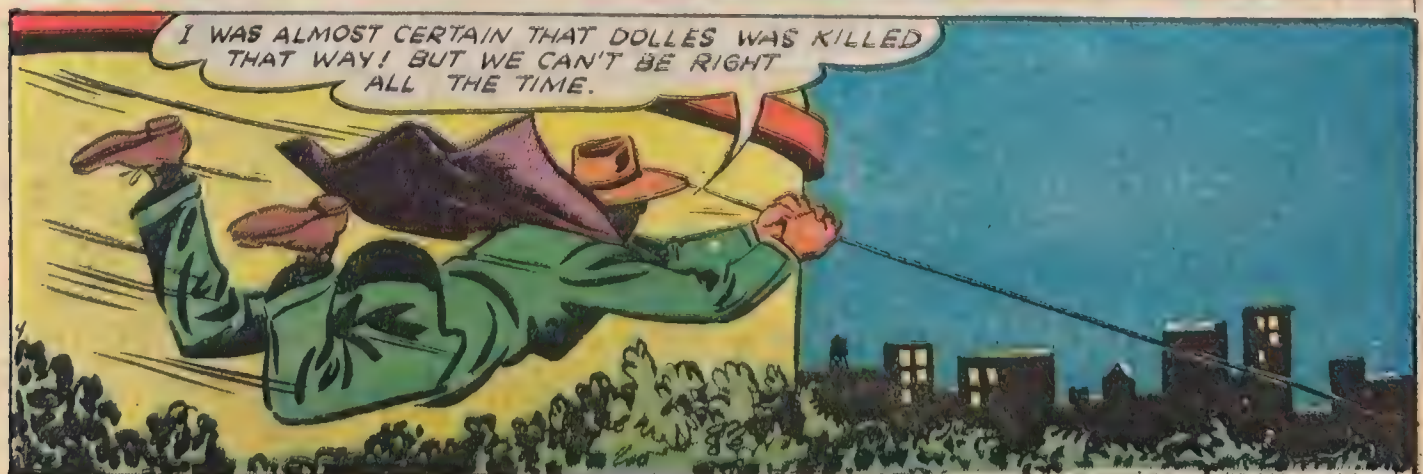
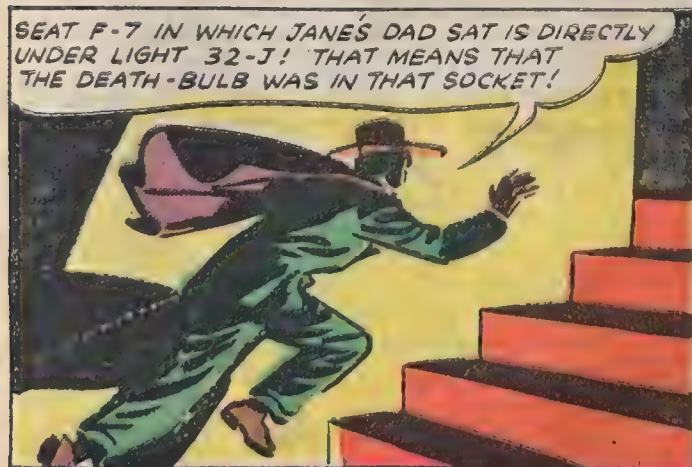
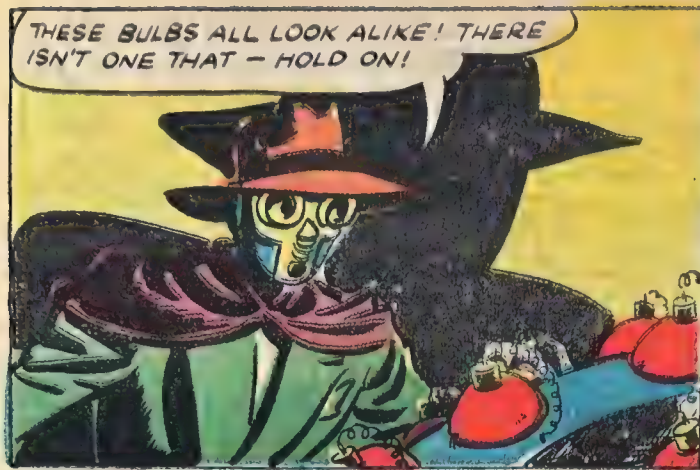
WE'S DODDS REAPPEARS AS  
THE DREADED SANDMAN!

THE DOCTOR SAID THERE WERE **STRANGE** SYMPTOMS  
OF DEATH! HE WOULD HAVE RECOGNIZED THE SYMPTOMS  
OF POISONING! NO GUNSHOT OR OTHER NOISE WAS  
HEARD, AND THE BODY BORE NO WOUNDS!











HE ARRIVES HOME JUST AS THE PHONE IS RINGING!

YES, THIS IS WES DODDS, DOCTOR. WHAT? NO KNOWN MANNER OF DEATH? NO POISON, EH? LOOKS LIKE A QUEER FORM OF ELECTRIC SHOCK? THANK YOU!



WES DODDS LIES AWAKE MOST OF THE NIGHT, THINKING HARD!

IF I FOUND THE REGULAR BULB IN THAT SLOT, IT MEANS IT WAS ALWAYS THERE - OR WAS REPLACED AFTER THE DEADLY ONE WAS REMOVED! I'M STILL BACKING MY HUNCH THAT WAS HOW HE WAS KILLED!



NEXT NIGHT AT THE ASTRONITORIUM...

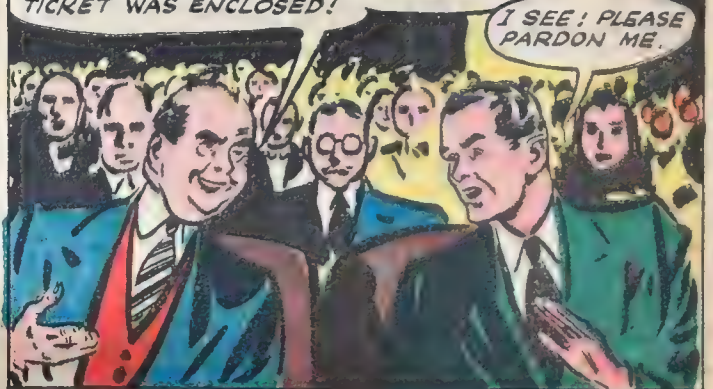
F-8 SEAT, PLEASE!

THIS WAY, SIR.



WHY, YES, I RECEIVED AN INVITATION TO ATTEND THIS PERFORMANCE TONIGHT! NO - NO TICKET WAS ENCLOSED!

I SEE! PLEASE PARDON ME.



NOW I KNOW WHO IS BEHIND ALL THIS! I CAN OPERATE FREELY, KNOWING THE VILLAIN!



ONCE AGAIN, THE SANDMAN STALKS CRIME ...!

I'VE GOT TO LEARN WHETHER THAT NEW BULB HAS BEEN PUT IN ITS SOCKET YET ...!



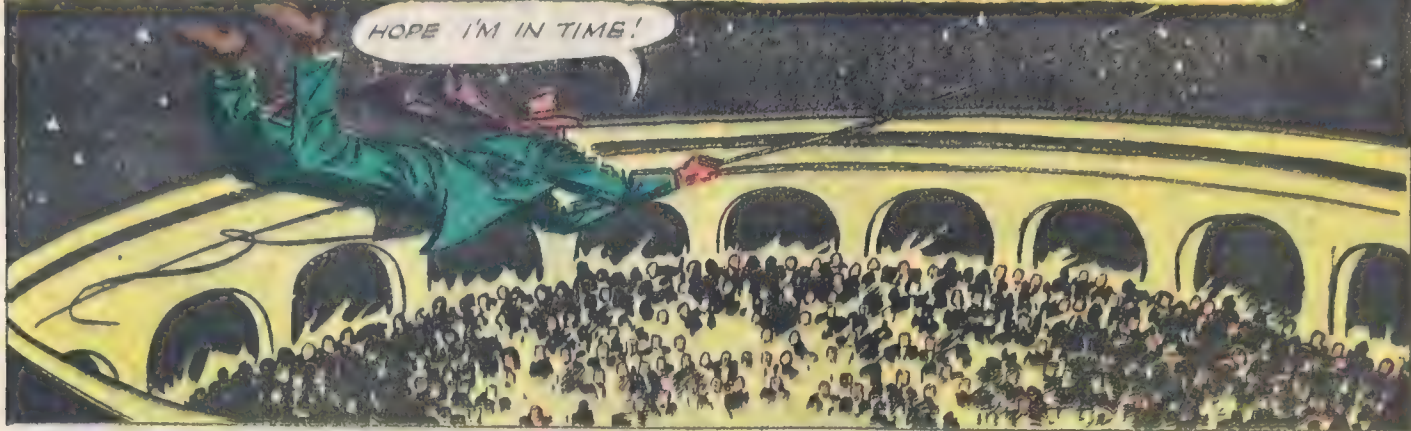
THAT BIG BULB! THAT WASN'T THERE LAST NIGHT!





ACTING WITH THE SPEED OF A LEAPING CHEETAH, HE FIRES HIS WIREPOON AND LEAPS...

HOPE I'M IN TIME!

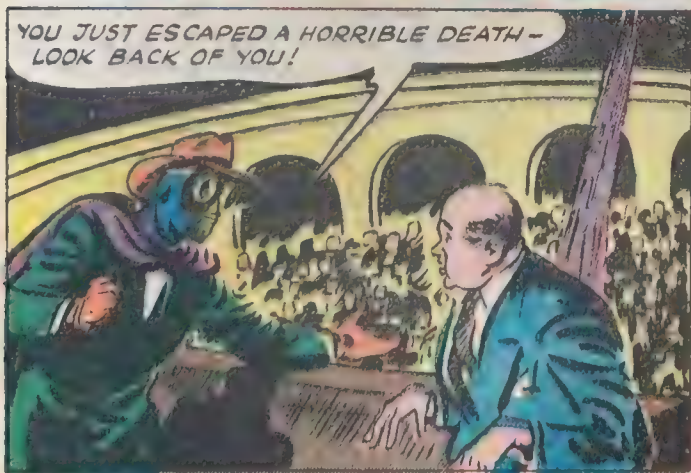


LOOK - THAT MAN  
SWINGING OVER US!

HE'S COMING DOWN!

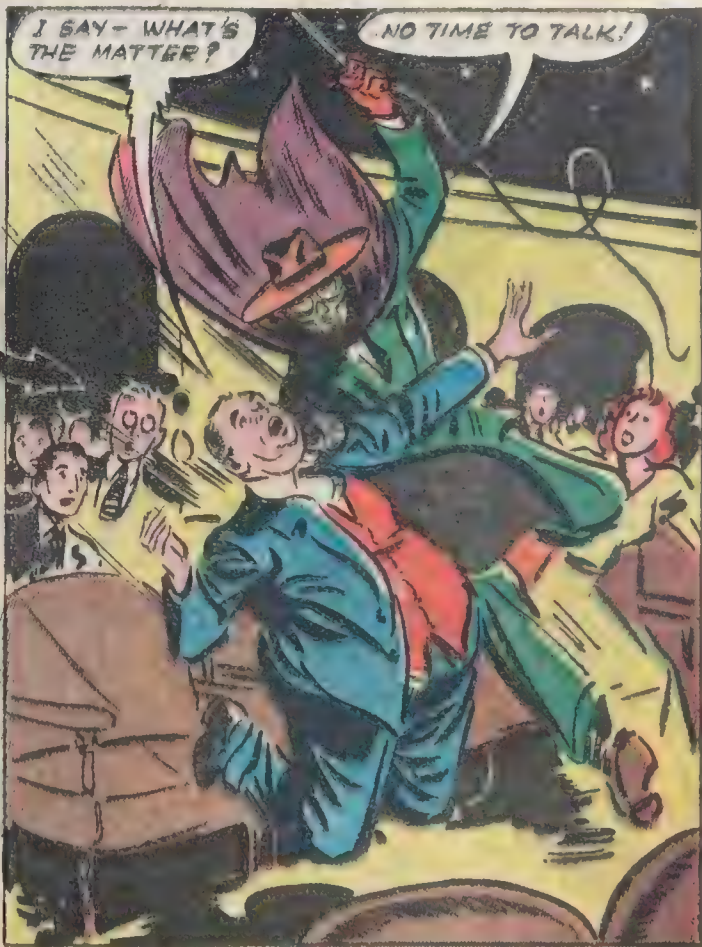


YOU JUST ESCAPED A HORRIBLE DEATH -  
LOOK BACK OF YOU!



I SAY - WHAT'S  
THE MATTER?

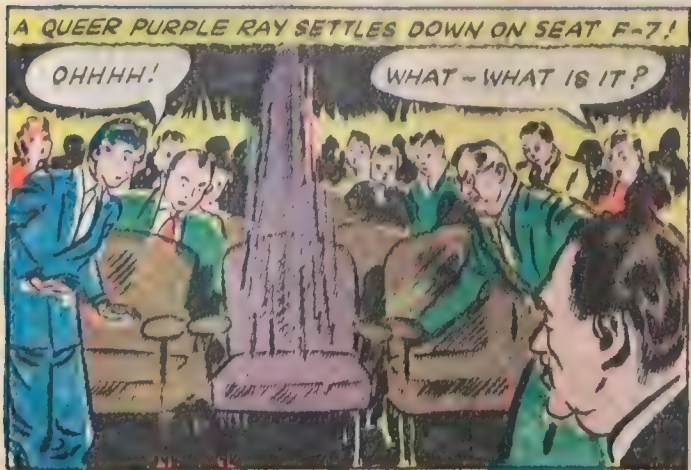
NO TIME TO TALK!



A QUEER PURPLE RAY SETTLES DOWN ON SEAT F-7!

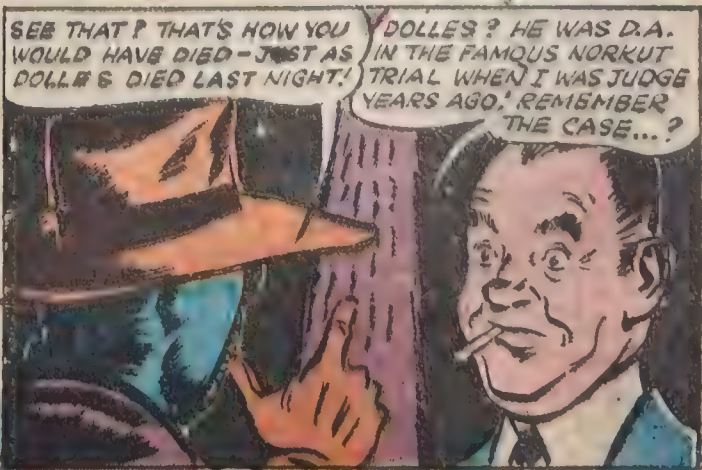
OHHHH!

WHAT - WHAT IS IT?

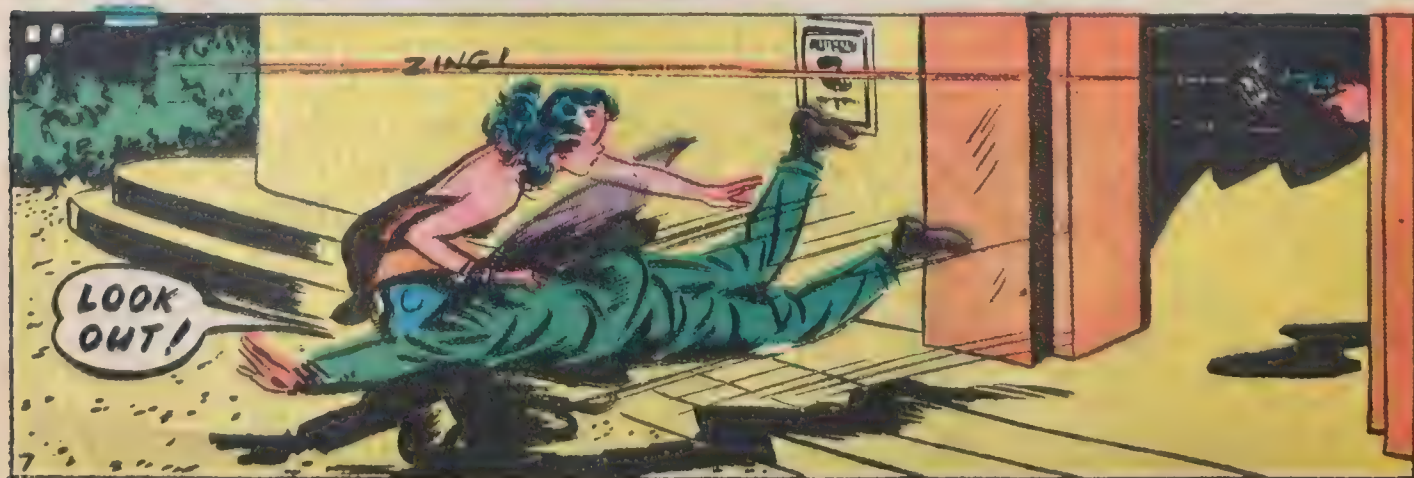
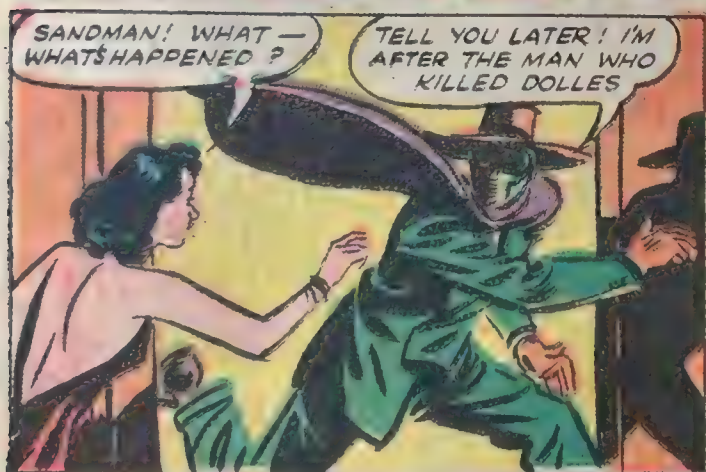
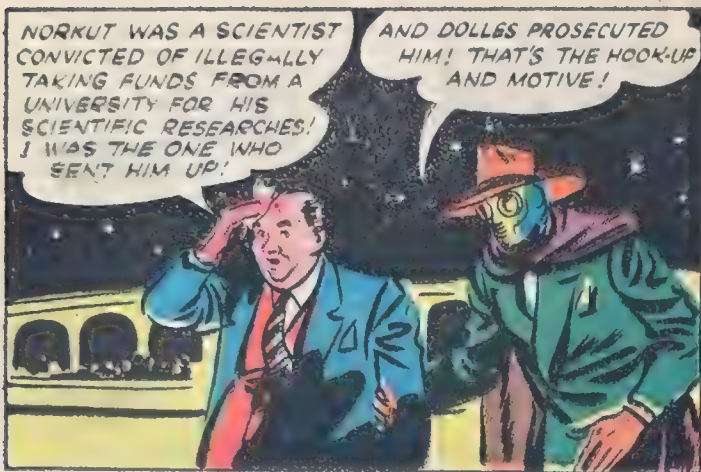


SEE THAT? THAT'S HOW YOU  
WOULD HAVE DIED - JUST AS  
DOLLE'S DIED LAST NIGHT!

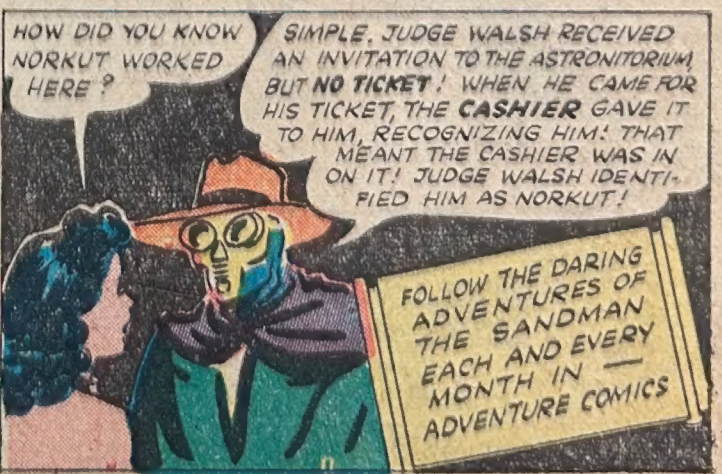
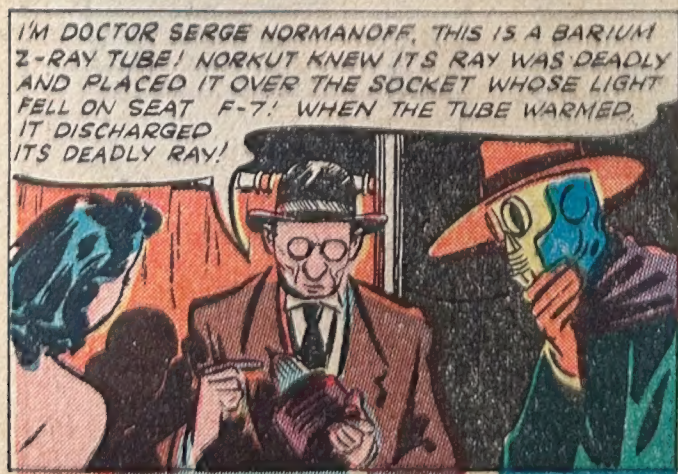
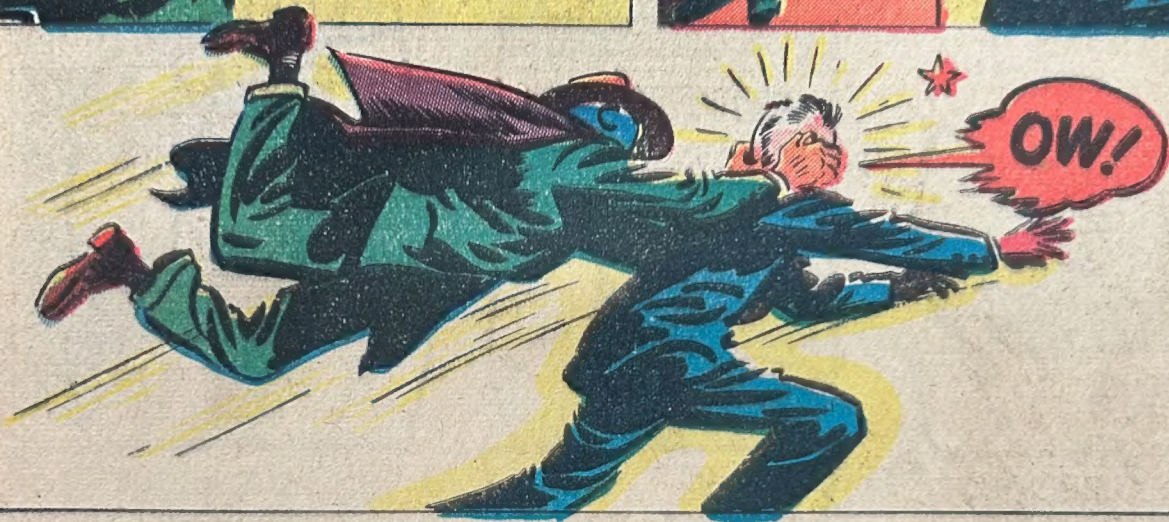
DOLLE'S? HE WAS D.A.  
IN THE FAMOUS NORKUT  
TRIAL WHEN I WAS JUDGE  
YEARS AGO, REMEMBER  
THE CASE...?













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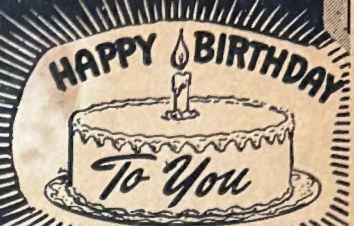


ON SALE ABOUT  
THE 15<sup>TH</sup>  
OF EVERY MONTH





# Boys! I'LL HELP YOU GET A DAISY FOR Your Birthday —Red Ryder




HERE'S HOW I  
HELPED BOB  
GET HIS  
DAISY  
Red Ryder

BOB WANTED A DAISY. HE SAW MY AD (LIKE THIS ONE) IN APRIL. —MAILED THE COUPON FOR HIS FREE BIRTHDAY REMINDER KIT EVEN THO' HIS BIRTHDAY WASN'T TIL AUGUST 15.



U.S. MAIL

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BOB'S MOTHER FOUND A "BIRTHDAY REMINDER" UNDER THE MILK BOTTLE ONE MORNING. (COURSE BOB HAD PUT IT THERE!)



EVERY TIME BOB'S DAD PICKED UP A MAGAZINE, A "REMINDER" FELL OUT OF IT.



BOB'S AUNT MARY, WHO LIVES WITH HIS FOLKS, FOUND ONE TUCKED IN HER WORK BASKET ONE NIGHT.




AT LEAST TWICE A WEEK WHEN BOB'S DAD UNFOLDED HIS MORNING PAPER—A REMINDER FELL OUT...



BOB USED HIS "BIRTHDAY REMINDERS" FOR NEARLY 2 WEEKS "WORKING" ON THE WHOLE FAMILY.

ON HIS BIRTHDAY, AUGUST 15th  
"HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SON"  
"GEE THANKS, DAD!"



FELLAS! THOSE BIRTHDAY REMINDERS GOT ME A DAISY CARBINE FOR MY BIRTHDAY. JUST SEND THE COUPON FOR YOUR **FREE** REMINDER KIT!

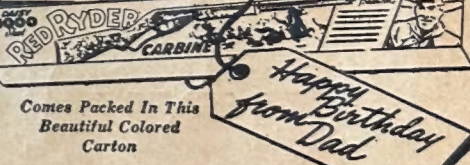


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Day of Month.....  
Month of Birth.....  
Present Age.....  
MY NAME.....  
ST. & NO.....  
CITY.....  
STATE.....  
(Please Print Plainly)  
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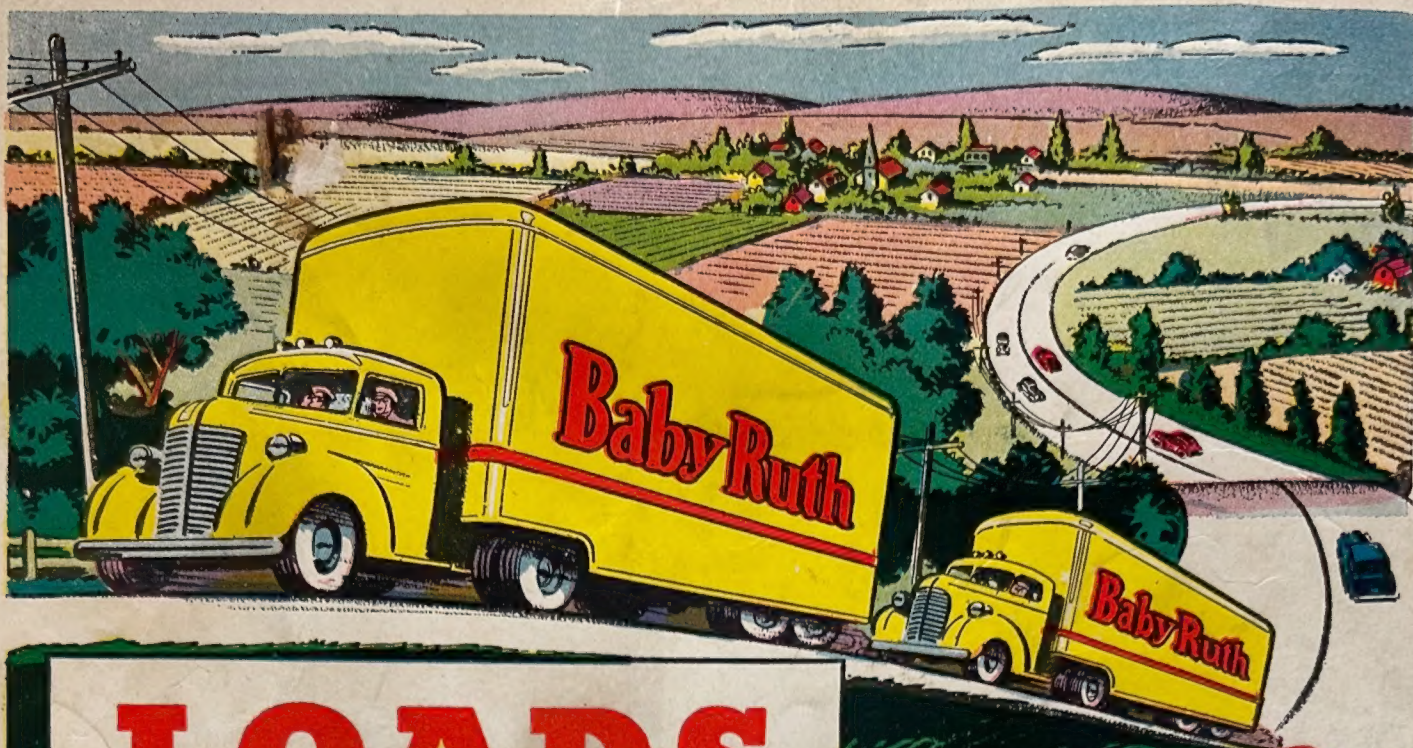
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